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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### New Impediment

**P**RESSURE is now mounting in the Western world for a readjustment of the trade embargo imposed on China soon after the Korean War. Curiously, however, although the restrictions were part of the United Nations sanctions policy against China and as such are widely regarded as outdated, the main emphasis of Western pressure now is only to revise the embargo to bring it in line with the one imposed upon Soviet Russia and the European Satellites.

This is largely the result of American insistence that the embargo should be maintained as a political weapon and its allies have consented to enforce measures that are not only generally unpopular but penalise Japan, Britain and some Western European countries almost as much as China.

President Eisenhower seemed to recognise this fact in his press conference last week and from his general statements on this question observers were quick to conclude that the United States was preparing to make concessions by allowing a levelling of the two embargoes without, however, relaxing its own strict policy of a complete ban on exports to China.

A new factor has, however, been introduced. America is apparently seeking a tightening of the embargo restrictions against Russia in exchange for easing restrictions on the China embargo. Full details of the American proposal are not yet known but in principle the move ought to be resolutely rejected.

The obvious trend in East-West negotiations at present is towards reduced tension. What protest is there for the West to reverse the process? The Communist countries are bound to describe the move as a "renewal of the cold war" and in the absence of any valid political reason how is the charge to be countered?

Face-saving considerations perhaps dictate the American attitude. In Britain and Europe the proposed restrictions will be regarded as an unfair obstacle to development of a promising trade connection. Certainly Britain's exports to Russia are on the increase and exporters will object to any new impediment. If America insists on the new provision Britain ought to consider making its own embargo regulations.

## Experts' Warning On Bone Cancer

London, Apr. 16.

British scientists estimated in a report published tonight that a Bikini-type hydrogen bomb, exploded high in the atmosphere, might eventually produce bone cancer in 1,000 people for every million tons of TNT of equivalent explosive power.

They stressed that this was conditional on the acceptance of a theory that the incidence of bone cancer was proportional to the amount of radioactive material in the body.

The report was written by a committee appointed by the Atomic Scientists Association, a private body set up in 1948 to keep the nation informed about atomic developments.

### INDEPENDENT VIEW

The committee studied the whole question of radiation hazards from an independent viewpoint and followed up a report last year by Britain's Medical Research Council.

Discussing the estimate of the possible incidence of bone cancer from the radioactive material known as strontium 90, the report said: "These thousand casualties would be spread all over the world and occur in the course of several decades."

"A somewhat larger number of people might suffer other bone changes, possibly without manifesting any clinical symptoms."

"There is also the possibility of a number of cases of leukaemia resulting but we have not enough data to estimate this number."

"At the same time, it should be pointed out that these casualties, although large in absolute number, represent only a fraction of those due to the natural level of radioactivity; there would be no way of distinguishing one from the other."

The scientists stressed in their report the possible "considerable margin of error due to lack of adequate data", and the fact that it was based on the "as yet unproved hypothesis of a proportional relationship applying to very small doses."—*Reuter*.

## IRAN BANS OIL EXPORTS TO ISRAEL

Teheran, Apr. 16.

The Iranian Government has ordered that the Iranian National Petroleum Company refuse to sell oil to Israel or to transport companies which plan to make deliveries in Israeli ports.

An Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman announcing this ban today said the Government had also decided to "recommend" to the International Oil Consortium that it should adopt a similar attitude.

Circles close to the Consortium believed it was very likely that the eight companies forming the Consortium would act on the recommendation, because of their desire to avoid any dispute with the Iranian Government.

### Representations

It was believed here that the Iranian decision to ban oil exports to Israel was taken as a result of representations made by King Saud of Saudi Arabia. The ban covers both oil destined for Israeli home consumption and oil to be routed through Israel from Haifa on the Gulf of Aqaba to Haifa on the Mediterranean.

The Iranian National Petroleum Company controls 12½ per cent of the country's total oil production. The Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman said today that an American tanker, chartered by a European country, was guilty of fraud because it had given its destination as an African port, when it left the Persian Gulf for Basra, Iraq, but had in fact gone to Haifa.

### Iraqi Protest

After the American tanker had delivered 10,000 tons of Iranian oil to Haifa last week, the Iranian National Petroleum Company had said it was not concerned in the affair and would reject any protests about it, since the oil in question had been sold by the Consortium.

Iraq has protested to the United States against allowing the American tanker to use the Gulf of Aqaba and supply Israel with oil.—*France-Press* and *Reuter*.

## ABNORMAL SHOCK WAVES

Tokyo, Apr. 17.

The National Meteorological Observatory announced here today it had recorded a series of abnormal shock waves.

An Observatory spokesman said the pattern of the shock waves indicated another Soviet Union nuclear test had taken place.—*Reuter*.

## Turncoats' Sentences Reduced

Washington, Apr. 16.

The Army has cut in half the prison sentences of two turncoat Korean War prisoners.

They are, Claude J. Batchelor, 27, and Edward S. Dickinson, 20.

Batchelor was sentenced at first to life imprisonment but that subsequently was cut to 20 years by review authorities. Dickinson was sentenced to 10 years.

But on a regular annual review of prisoner sentences last month, Assistant Army Secretary Hugh M. Milton II, ordered Batchelor's sentence reduced to 10 years and Dickinson's to five years.—*United Press*.

## No N-Weapons For Japan

Tokyo, Apr. 16.

Japan will not equip its forces with nuclear weapons, said Gen. Kazuo Hayashi, Chairman of the Joint Defense Council. He made the statement in reply to a question by a Socialist Diet member before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Councillors.—*United Press*.

## PROPOSALS FOR CHINA TRADE REVIEW

London, Apr. 16.

Lord Gosford, Britain's Foreign Under-Secretary, said today that the United States had made some proposals for reviewing the China trade embargo lists.

These are lists of goods of which the export to China was banned at the time of the Korean War by a number of non-Communist countries because they were considered to have a wartime potential. Lord Gosford told the House of Lords that the United States Government's proposals followed the meeting at Bermuda between Mr Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, and President Eisenhower.

"We shall study these proposals in consultation with other members of the consultative group," Lord Gosford added.

### PERCENTAGES

The consultative group is formed of those nations which consult over the enforcing of the United Nations strategic trade embargo.

Sir David Eccles, President of the Board of Trade, in reply to a question by Mr William Telling (Conservative), said trade with the Chinese mainland in 1956, 1955 and 1954 were 1.8 per cent, 1.0 per cent and 0.6 per cent of the total trade of the United Kingdom with countries other than Commonwealth countries.

In reply to another question, he said: "It is a fact that China's trade is in balance and unless China sells less to Russia or gets a credit from Russia, there is little chance of a substantial expansion."—*Reuter*.

## UN DELEGATE ASSASSINATED

United Nations, Apr. 16.

The Egyptian representative on the United Nations Advisory Council for the Italian Trustee territory of Somaliland has been assassinated in Mogadiscio (capital of Somaliland), the Chairman of the UN Trusteeship Council announced today.

The Egyptian representative was Kamal Eddine Salah.

The Council Chairman, Rafik Asha, the Syrian delegate, said

Eddine had been stabbed to death but that he had not yet recovered. Any more details of the murder.

Eddine Salah had served on the Somaliland Advisory Council for three years.

### Investigation

The Italian delegate, Remigio Grillo, said that according to first reports received from Mogadiscio, Salah had been murdered by a Somali. He added that the Italian authorities would make a thorough investigation into the affair and would punish the guilty parties.—*France-Press*.

It was later learned in Mogadiscio that Salah, died in hospital today after being stabbed eight times by a Somali in the Egyptian delegation building.

The Somali, Muhammad Shek Abdurrahman, was alleged to have told police who arrested him that he killed Salah in revenge for having been ill-treated by Egyptian authorities during his stay in Egypt four years ago.—*France-Press* and *Reuter*.

## Chiang Jet Down

Seoul, Apr. 16.

The South Korean Defense Ministry reported today a Chinese Nationalist Sabre jet fighter had crashed on Chiju Island which lies off the southernmost tip of South Korea. The pilot of the aircraft was killed.

An official of the Chinese Embassy here said he had not been informed of the crash nor had he an explanation as to why a fighter had been flying so close to South Korea.—*Reuter*.

## UK Defence Move In Persian Gulf

London, Apr. 16.

Britain is planning to reinforce the defences of her interests in Southern Arabia and the Persian Gulf, official sources here said today.

A military mission was said to have arrived in Kenya to investigate the administrative problems of maintaining land, sea and air forces in East Africa.

Official sources said it was planned to station a "strategic reserve" in the area for "support of the Baghdad Pact" and for the defence of British interest in Southern Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

"In the Arabian Peninsula Britain must be ready at all times to defend her Aden colony and protectorates and the territories in the Persian Gulf for whose defence she is responsible. For this task, land, sea and air forces have to be maintained in that area and in East Africa," the War Office said.

Officials would not comment on the probable size of the force but authoritative sources said it was understood the War Office was thinking in terms of brigade strength.—*United Press*.

## Anglo-US Mid-East Coordination

London, Apr. 16.

Britain has sent a high official of its Foreign Office to Washington to coordinate Middle Eastern policies with the United States under the arrangements of the recent Bermuda summit conference, according to official sources today.

Mr Adnan Watson, head of the Foreign Office African Department, will consult State Department representatives on immediate and long-term co-ordination of Anglo-American views on the strategic Middle East.

The move stems from an agreement between President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Harold Macmillan in Bermuda last month to set up a Middle Eastern planning group. Though little was said at the time about this decision, the plan envisioned the creation of a permanent Anglo-American body to plan and coordinate Middle Eastern policies and strategy, the sources said.—*United Press*.

## Stockpile For 35,000 A-Weapons

Washington, Apr. 16.

Mr James van Zandt, a member of the Joint United States Senate-Atomic Energy Committee, said today it was estimated that the United States had stockpiled material for the manufacture of 35,000 atomic weapons.

This was estimated to be three and a half times the comparable Soviet stockpile for about 10,000 weapons, he said. He did not reveal his sources of information.

He told the Pennsylvania Daughters of the American Revolution that every effort should be made to reach a sound agreement with the Soviet Union on reducing armaments.—*China Mail Special*.

## Famous Cellist Collapses

San Juan, Apr. 16.

Pablo Casals, the world's leading cellist, collapsed today and Puerto Rico's No. 1 heart specialist diagnosed his case as coronary thrombosis.

Dr Roberto Suarez described the condition of the 60-year-old musician as "serious." Casals collapsed while holding the first rehearsal with a New York orchestra for an international music festival he was to conduct, scheduled to begin here on Monday.—*United Press*.

## BEDOUNS SUPPORT HUSSEIN

Amman, Apr. 16.

Two hundred Bedouin chieftains swore allegiance to young King Hussein today amid reports that the monarch is seeking another Arab summit conference on East-West policies.

Reports said that Hussein wants a new meeting between Arab leaders to thrust out a common policy of communism and the Eisenhower Doctrine. Today some 200 chiefs of the once-nomadic desert tribesmen in colourful flowing robes strode into Hussein's hilltop palace to pledge their continued allegiance to the monarch.—*United Press*.

## Saud Visiting Jordan

London, Apr. 16.

King Saud of Saudi Arabia is due to arrive on an official visit to Jordan on May 6, according to a Middle East News Agency report from Amman, Cairo radio said today.

King Saud will spend four days in Jordan before going to Baghdad.—*Reuter*.

## EDEN RESTLESS

Boston, Apr. 16.

Sir Anthony Eden spent a "restless day" today although he was able to get out of bed and sit in a chair for the first time since his bile duct operation on Saturday.—*United Press*.

## US Claim To Christmas Is

London, Apr. 16.

PRIME Minister, Harold Macmillan, told the House of Commons today that the United States claims sovereignty over Christmas Island, in the Pacific Ocean, where British nuclear experiments are scheduled to take place this summer.

Macmillan, in reply to a question, said, "The United States claims sovereignty over

Christmas Island, which has been under British administration for many years as part of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands colony."

The Prime Minister said the United States Government had been informed that the forthcoming tests did not "in any way prejudice the claims of other governments."—*France-Press*.

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## CANAL USERS ASSOCIATION

## Martinelli In San Remo



Film star Elsa Martinelli, who was sentenced to 18 months' jail in Rome last week for insulting three policemen, in San Remo where she won the Italian film stars' motor race. Her lawyer appealed and said she will stay free until the appeal is heard in about a year. — Central Press Photo.

## AGREEMENT ON DISARMAMENT MAY BE REACHED

London, Apr. 16. M. Jules Moch, French representative on the United Nations disarmament subcommittee meeting here, said today the subcommittee might reach agreement on the limitation of hydrogen bomb test explosions.

Moch said the five-power subcommittee might reach a partial agreement covering the explosions and the following points:

- ★ Limitation of troop levels at a first stage of disarmament.
- ★ Halt in the production of fissionable materials for military purposes.
- ★ An international control system.

Moch said that members of the subcommittee knew that a war among the great powers would "necessarily be total." He said: "The argument that gas was not used during the 1939-45 war, which is cited by those who wish to affirm that nuclear war can be avoided, has no value."

by the United States that nuclear powers should switch their production from military to peaceful purposes, according to Western conference sources.

The sources said that Mr. Zorin, though he did not reject the proposals, put forward by Mr. Harold Stassen, maintained that they did not go far enough in ensuring the elimination of nuclear stocks or in prohibiting the use of nuclear weapons. — France-Press and Reuter.

## MARITIME EXERCISE OFF SIAM

Singapore, Apr. 16.

Warships and planes of six SEATO nations are concentrating around Singapore and Bangkok in preparation for the forthcoming SEATO maritime exercise, it was announced here today.

Australian and British ships arrive at Singapore on Thursday, and United States and French ships on Monday.

Observers from the United States, Pakistan and the Philippines leave Singapore in selected ships on April 24.

Naval units from New Zealand and Thailand will join up at sea during the exercise, code-named "Astra."

A statement from Britain's Far East Naval Station which is organising the major exercises, said planes from the Royal Air Force, Royal New Zealand Air Force, Royal Thai Air Force and the United States Navy will operate from Singapore and Bangkok as required between April 24 and May 2. — Reuter.

## RUSSIAN CRITICISM

Mr. Valerian Zorin, Soviet delegate to the United Nations Disarmament subcommittee now meeting here, today criticised proposals put forward last week

## Meeting Postponed For 'Uncertainty' Of Situation

London, Apr. 16.

A meeting of the 15-nation Suez Canal Users Association set for tomorrow has been postponed till shortly after the weekend because of the "uncertainty" of the Suez situation, a usually reliable source said here today.

It had been thought that the United States-Egyptian talks in Cairo on Egypt's terms for running the canal would now have ended, and the association would have been able to consider the position.

It had also seemed likely that the West, following deadlock in the talks, was about to take the Suez dispute to the United Nations Security Council.

But the United States ambassador in Cairo, Mr. Raymond Hare, had a further meeting today with the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Dr. Mahmoud Fawzi, indicating that the talks were not yet finished.

## Not United

At the same time it appeared to diplomatic observers that the three Western allies, the United States, Britain and France, were by no means united.

After the French ambassador, M. Jean Chauvel, called today on the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, reports were current in French circles that French opinion would favour a boycott of the canal if the Cairo talks broke down.

The Marquess of Salisbury, who resigned from the government over its Cyprus policy, urged in a letter to the Times that the SCUA (Suez Canal Users Association) foreign ministers should meet in conference to discuss a boycott.

Yet reports from Washington said the United States Government would tell American shipowners that in a few days they could use the canal again.

## Under Protest

They would be allowed to pay tolls in dollars to the Egyptian Canal Authority, but under protest, the reports said, to let American shipowners use the canal again.

The British Government has sent a representative to Washington, Mr. Adam Watson, head of the Foreign Office African Department, to co-ordinate policies with the American Government.

Mr. Watson might visit New York if the Suez dispute were submitted to the Security Council.

Mr. Lloyd later reported details of his talk with the French ambassador to a meeting of senior ministers called by Mr. Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister.

## American Views

Mr. Lincoln White, the State Department spokesman, answering questions at his daily press conference said in Washington today the United States was still engaged in negotiations with Egypt on the Suez Canal.

Asked whether any decision had been taken to refer the Suez issue to the United Nations Security Council, Mr. White replied "we are still in discussions with the Egyptians."

Asked whether that meant that no decision had been made, Mr. White answered "I don't want to comment flatly yes or no on that."

The State Department spokesman said he did not know if the United States was conferring with Britain and France about taking the matter to the Security Council.

Quoted about reports that the United States had advised American shippers that they could go through the Canal and pay tolls under protest, Mr. White said he knew of no notification to shippers as yet.

Mr. White recalled that the State Department had never prohibited United States ships from using the Canal but merely

ly had urged them to use "prudence" and to keep away because of legal and technical problems which existed before the canal was reopened. — Reuter and China Mail Special.

## MOTHER WORRIES: 'SUICIDE FLEET' GETS VOLUNTEER

London, Apr. 16.

A man who left Britain six months ago to work in Indian kiper colonies now plans to join a "suicide fleet" which aims to prevent Britain's H-bomb being exploded next month.

In London today his mother said, "he is making us all with worry."

David Graham, 25, of London, hitch-hiked to India with his friend Ian Dixon, 21, of Brighthelm, Yorkshire.

They had 438 between them. Besides working among the Indians they wanted to study the teachings of Gandhi.

Now both have applied to go to the Christmas Island Bomb test area in one of the several Japanese boats which plan to sail for the summer season at the end of next month.

Said 65-year-old Mrs. Millie Graham today, "We want David to come home to us but he does not take any notice of our letters. He just says everything is all right."

## JAYCEES PRAISED BY NGO

Saigon, Apr. 16.

South Vietnam President Ngo Dinh Diem said today that the "Junior Chambers of Commerce like to work where the challenge is the greatest, and South Vietnam presents the greatest challenge to men of goodwill today."

Speaking at the opening meeting of the seventh congress of the Asian Junior Chambers of Commerce, the President said that since peace and stability had returned, South Vietnam had to attack other kinds of problems which were perhaps less dramatic but certainly as difficult to solve.

Among the countries represented at the congress were Burma, Ceylon, Nationalist China, Hongkong, India, Japan, South Korea, Malaya, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and South Vietnam.

Australia, Cambodia and the United States have sent observers. — France-Press.

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# DEFENCE POLICY DEBATE

## Brains Behind Germany's Flying Bombs

London, Apr. 16. Rudolf Bree — the man behind the German V1 flying bomb which threatened to devastate London in 1944 — talked about the weapon in London.

Said he: "We used to call it Project Cherrystone. It was easy to split, but you could never be sure where it would land."

Herr Bree, now 50, was 32 when put in charge of German guided missile research early in the Second World War.

### DISTANCE ERROR

In the first months of the war, plans for a flying bomb were put forward by a German industrial firm. It had a probable 3 1/2 per cent distance error, which became a margin of miles in a bomb directed from French bases towards London.

Says Herr Bree: "The German High Command rejected it. They recognised that it would mean more damage to civilians than to military targets. That was not my decision, but I was happy that it was so."

"But in 1942, when I was told to go ahead with the idea, the situation was different. Air Forces on both sides were already doing tremendous damage to civilian areas. I no longer felt the same."

### GUIDED MISSILES

"We had been concentrating on real guided missiles—radio-controlled bombs launched by aircraft against warships. But they were never a great success because it took too long to train the highly-skilled controllers."

So came the "doodlebug", pre-set for distance, course and wind conditions so far as they were known. It was never a true guided missile.

Says Herr Bree: "It was just cheap and quick to make. It needed a target as big as London. Anything more accurate would have needed vast numbers of man hours to manufacture. We tried launching some over shorter ranges by aircraft, but not many."

This is Herr Bree's first visit to Britain since the Second World War. He is over to attend a conference on the technical libraries of NATO Governments and famous aircraft firms.

When Germany was defeated he turned to microfilming as a method of storing documents. Now he keeps the archives of German industry. — Express Service.



Herr Rudolf Bree in London.—Express Photo.

## POLITICAL REFUGEE SAYS EMBASSY USING PRESSURE

Washington, Apr. 16.

A Russian political refugee said today that the Soviet Embassy is using pressure, including forged letters from a dead friend, in an effort to get him to return behind the Iron Curtain.

The refugee, Peter Pirogov, a former lieutenant in the Red Air Force, said an Embassy official promised him that the Soviet Government would not "punish" him if he returned.

He also said the official, whom he identified as Genadi F. Mashkintzev, made visits to his nearby Alexandria, Virginia, home and offered Pirogov and

his family an expense-paid trip to any Russian city they might choose.

Pirogov said the Soviet move was made for "propaganda purposes, not for any other reason."

He made the statements to the United Press after Leon Volkov, Soviet affairs writer for Newsweek magazine, reported the Embassy campaign in the magazine's current issue.

### Inducement

Pirogov confirmed that Mashkintzev, identified by Volkov as a second secretary of the Soviet Embassy, visited him at his home on March 8 and March 22.

He said Mashkintzev tried to induce him to return to Russia by showing him a forged letter from an old Soviet Air Force companion, Anatole Barzov. Barzov and Pirogov landed a Russian military plane at a US air base at Lint, Austria, in October 1949. Barzov later returned to Russia and subsequently was reported to have been executed.

Pirogov said, however, that he did not mention this fact to Mashkintzev. He said Mashkintzev delivered the forged letter on his first visit and returned for an answer. The forged letter urged Pirogov to return home.

### Propaganda

Pirogov, a former school teacher who speaks English well, said Soviet attempts to lure him to Russia were part of a propaganda campaign to build up Russian prestige at home following reverses in the Hungarian uprising.

"Do you think," he asked, "that they come to visit me to see how happy I am?" He said that if he returned to Russia, the Soviets would give him a passport and paper and tell him "what to write" about his American experience.

Asked if he feared the Soviets would take more forceful action to get him to return now that their attempts have been reversed, Pirogov replied: "As long as I stay here in America, I am not afraid of anything."

## EGYPT SELLS TWO FRENCH BANKS

Cairo, Apr. 16.

Egypt today began carrying out its Egyptianisation laws, issued last January, by selling two French banks to the Al Kahira Bank.

The laws provide that all stock of foreign companies and banks must be owned by Egyptians and that all directors and senior administrators must be Egyptian.

The Finance Ministry, meanwhile, has issued a decree authorising seizure of assets of "all or liquidated" companies, similar to the decree issued a week ago concerning banks under sequestration.—China Mail Special.

## Slaying Still Unsolved

Saigon, Apr. 16.

South Vietnam's police have been unable to establish a motive in the slaying of Canadian diplomat Lucien Cannon, informed sources said today.

Police have been questioning persons who knew the 28-year-old career foreign service official in an attempt to determine his habits and associates, but have uncovered no significant leads so far, the sources said.

No evidence of burglary has been discovered in the private villa where Cannon lived with a police-guarded compound, according to these sources.

Police have questioned Canadian, Indian and Polish members of the Indo-China Truce Commission and other persons who knew the slain diplomat.

Cannon, chief of Canada's truce delegation in Saigon, was stabbed to death in bed on April 12, apparently in his sleep.

The death weapon, which police have been unable to find, was driven four times into his chest — twice penetrating his heart.

Canada's attorney had been fully alerted the night before, but the diplomat's bed in order to reach his victim in time.

## Nuclear Tests Under Fire In First Day

London, Apr. 16.

Mr George Brown, the Labour Opposition's official spokesman on defence, today urged the British Government to postpone its proposed nuclear test on Christmas Island.

Mr Brown was moving a Labour Party's amendment on Britain's future defence policy in a two-day debate in the House of Commons.

This amendment regretted "the undue dependence" of government defence policy on "the ultimate deterrent" (the hydrogen bomb) and called on the government to put forward effective proposals for the abolition of H-bomb tests and meanwhile to postpone the forthcoming British tests for a limited period till the response of other governments could be considered.

Mr Brown asked "Is anybody going to say that Sir William Penney (Britain's top atomic scientist) really advised the government that the only period in which he could have the test was April to August, 1957?"

Mr Brown asked "Why not in 1957? If by postponing it we gave a lead to the world, would it not be worth doing in spite of the discomforts and irritations caused?"

### Realities

"I am bound to say, as an amateur strategist, that I regard the outline of future defence policy as part of us as being open to this valid criticism: that for a long time the Government have refused, we think obstinately, to face the nuclear realities. Now they have become bemused by the word and perhaps by the desire to use it for economy."

Mr Brown went on: "But they have rushed into an uncharted field. We need to make a careful appraisal of the kind of weapons and forces that need to be maintained if we are going to have this deterrent approach."

"That we have not yet done. The Government have rushed a whole lot of fences to get 279 million of economies into this year."

"As a result, they have left us gravely unprepared for the risks that we can face, especially over-prepared for the one thing we never want to face and meantime, vastly dependent on other people for policy decisions of the gravest import to us."

### Deterrent

Mr Brown said the H-bomb was only a weapon so long as it remained a deterrent and therefore we had to maintain it as a deterrent. But unless there was some hope of achieving the deterrent possibility without the certainty of being blown up we might find that though we had all the weapons and the means of delivering the deterrent it would be no deterrent at all because nobody believed we should have the will to use it when the day came.

Mr Brown said there were two distinct bases for the Opposition amendment. First was the absolutely urgent and vital task of trying to revitalize discussions about the control and limitation of the international and peaceful explosions.

Unless that came about we might claim more victims in peace than in war.

Secondly, in doing that, get the whole impasse of international disarmament discussions moving again."

### Not Practical

Mr Richard Stokes, former Labour Minister of Raw Materials, said it was not practical to destroy all nuclear bombs and stop their manufacture. They were believed Britain should have the right to have a small stockpile to get out for the principle of control and eventual abolition," he said.

He believed he could "treat better with the Russians if I had the bomb than if I had not."

Mr Frederick Bellenger, a former Labour War Minister, thought Britain should stop her hydrogen bomb tests for a limited period, but not if it will be regarded as far as the Russians are concerned.

"Russia is carrying out her tests almost every week," he said.

"In that respect some of the statements made seem, if not impractical, to be very risky."

## MONROE DISMISSES BOARD

## JAPANESE PHYSICIAN ON ISLAND

New York, Apr. 16.

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In addition to Miss Monroe and George, who was Vice President and Treasurer, the old board consisted of Irving Stein, secretary and Joseph Carr.

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Greene said he voted for the actress and was "happy" she is still president.

"I'm not going to sell my stock," he said.

Miss Monroe, who wore a fur coat and dark glasses to the board meeting, had little to say to reporters afterward. She answered "no comment" when asked whether the corporation president was going to have a baby.—United Press.

## LIM: Clear Mind For Conference

Singapore, Apr. 16.

Mr Lim Yew Hock, the Chief Minister, said today decency and reasonableness by both Britain and Singapore would ensure the smooth working of Singapore's new self-government agreement.

Mr Lim told Reuters: "If both sides discharge their responsibilities and act not contrary to decency and reasonableness I don't see how the constitution can't work."

The Chief Minister said there would be all-party conferences before April 24 when the Legislative Assembly would consider the agreement signed after the recent Anglo-Singapore Consultation talks in London.

He said parties would "have to get clear in their minds" what to do about Britain's stipulation — which the Singapore Mission in London opposed — that "subversive" persons should be prevented from election to the first parliament of the new state of Singapore, which will be founded sometime after January 1, 1958.—Reuters.

## Smallpox In Colombo

Colombo, Apr. 16.

The northern part of Colombo was proclaimed a disease area today as a result of the discovery of a case of smallpox.

All persons living in that part of the city and those entering or leaving it will have to undergo compulsory vaccination, according to an order issued today by Colombo Mayor V. A. Sugathadasa.

So far 108 persons known to have been in contact with the case of smallpox have been rounded up by health authorities. Health officials reported that the situation was well in hand.—United Press.

Continued, beginning its 1957 session.

But Mr Arkadev did not propose any resolution to unseat the Chinese delegate, Mr Cheng Fao-nan.

Replying to the Soviet statement, Mr Cheng said that the "puppets in Peking, like those in Budapest, are the creation of the Soviet Union and they remain in power only through Soviet armed might."

Mr Cheng referred to the Soviet delegate as "the representative of the Communist Party in the Soviet Union" and declared that his remarks were "impertinent and out of order."

—Reuters.

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## Russia Ready To Improve Relations

London, Apr. 16.

Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Soviet Prime Minister, said today that his Government would be ready to make another effort to improve international relations, Moscow Radio reported.

The radio said Marshal Bulganin was speaking at a Kremlin meeting held in honour of the Albanian Government and party delegation now in the Soviet Union.

He said now that the "intervention in Egypt" had ceased and the "Hungary" had been suppressed, there was another chance for improving international relations.

Marshal Bulganin said his Government completely shared the views expressed by Mr Mehmet Shehu, Albanian Prime Minister, on the need to improve Albanian-Yugoslav relations.

Mr Shehu, speaking before Marshal Bulganin, said his delegation's visit would lead to even closer co-operation between the two countries.

He also said: "We shall spare no efforts to improve our relations with Yugoslavia. We hope that the Yugoslav Government will do the same."—Reuters.

## P.I. CUSTOMS TO OPEN HK PARCELS

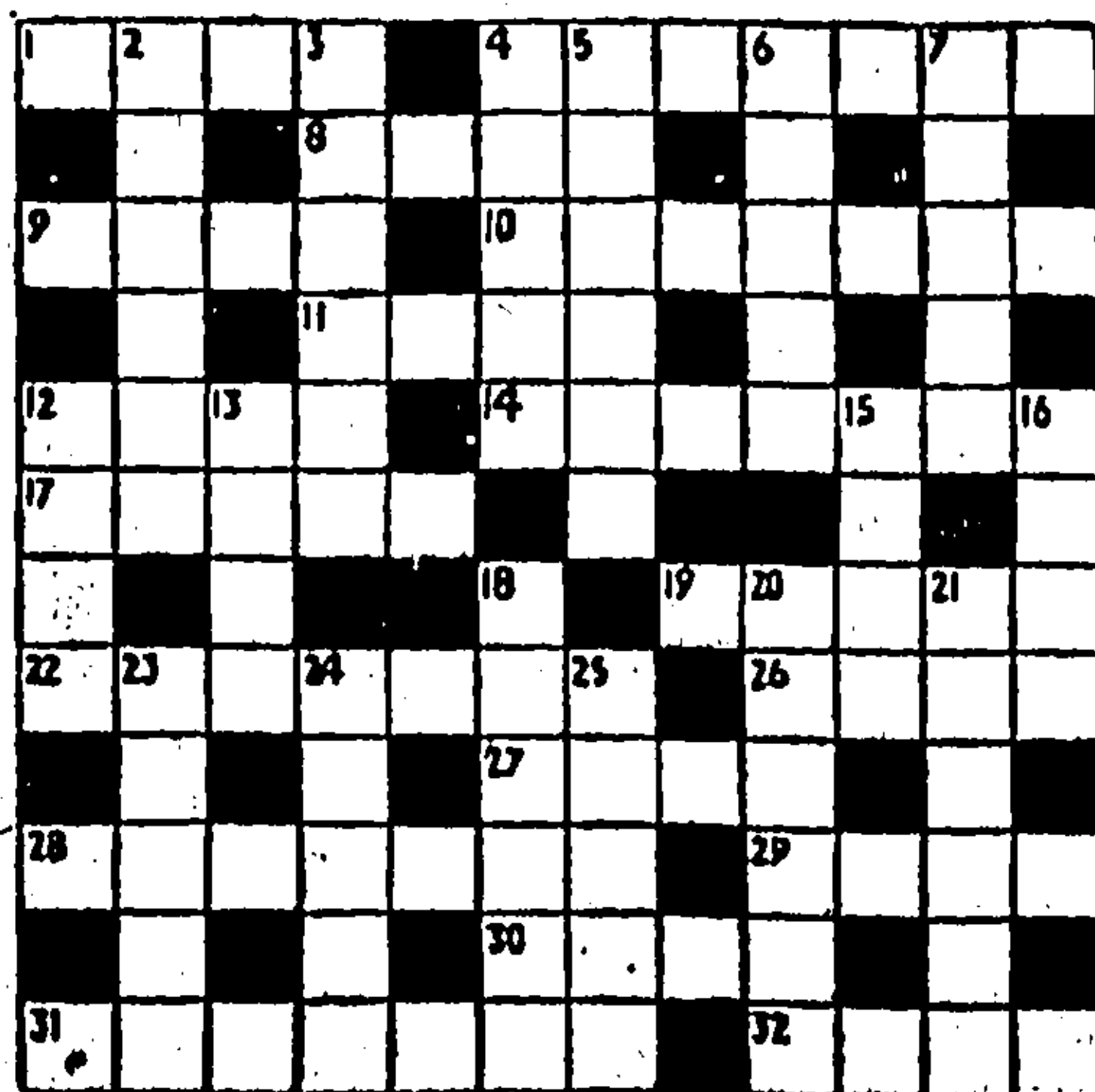
Hong Kong, Apr. 17.

Attempted smuggling from Hong Kong continued unabated yesterday as Customs operations against "smugglers" were stepped up. Customs officials reported that they had seized a large quantity of goods, including watches, jewelry, and other valuables, which were being smuggled into the mainland.

It was the fourth discovery in as many days as Customs and Immigration officials conferred to discover means of minimizing smuggling of goods from Hong Kong through the port.

It was noted that all parcels arriving by mail from Hong Kong would be opened and examined before delivery and release to claimants.—France Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Frigid (4).
  - 4 Exhaust (7).
  - 8 Road and roll in a dance? (4).
  - 9 Wan (4).
  - 10 Awkward customers (7).
  - 11 Epitaph (4).
  - 12 Land measure (4).
  - 13 Withdraw (7).
  - 17 Rub out (6).
  - 19 Pungent (6).
  - 23 Loathsome (7).
  - 26 Archival advice (4).
  - 27 Male name (4).
  - 28 Get ready (7).
  - 29 On (4).
  - 30 Tale of heroism (4).
  - 31 Naive (7).
  - 32 Middle-aged (4).
- DOWN**
- 2 Speaker (6).
  - 3 Fears (6).
  - 5 Hinder (5).
  - 6 Highly pleased (6).
  - 7 Supple (5).
  - 10 Coward (5).
  - 12 Tear (4).
  - 13 Hop-drying kiln (4).
  - 15 Terrible (4).
  - 16 Pop (4).
  - 18 Slender (6).
  - 19 Flood low over the river (5).
  - 21 Fools (6).
  - 22 Mistake (5).
  - 24 Bands (5).
  - 25 Pacts (5).

**TUESDAY'S CROSSWORD.**—Across: 1 Hoop-la, 5 Mamba, 8 Idiom, 9 Impish, 10 Nurse, 11 Petal, 12 Lash, 13 Terms, 16 Remote, 19 Teaser, 20 Boath, 22 Crum, 23 Steals, 25 Cayll, 26 Accrete, 27 Gentle, 28 Means, 29 Dredge. Down: 1 Harkless, 2 Opposite, 3 Lip, 4 Adhesive, 6 Monitor, 7 Amulet, 7 Beacon, 14 Bearward, 15 Blatantly, 16 Ratchet, 17 Amulet, 19 Ensign, 21 Chase, 24 Boar.



PART NINE OF OUR MYSTERY SERIAL: 'NO FLOWERS BY REQUEST'—AND THE FIFTH AUTHOR TAKES OVER

# Poison in a pink cup?

By  
**CHRISTIANNA BRAND**

MRS MERTON, widowed cook-housekeeper to the Carringtons, is trying to solve the baffling mystery of the poisoning of invalid Mrs Carrington. She is piecing the clues together, when—

"The door opened slowly and there, if my guess was right, stood Murder on the threshold."

"HAVE a cup of tea," said Murder, very pleasantly. I opened my mouth to say something, and shut it again. The words wouldn't come.

I managed to speak at last. "Thank you, Nurse," I said.

The nurse

A young woman, an attractive woman, a woman fully aware of her attractions, using them boldly, making the best of them with her short skirts and her frizzy hair-do and her nyloned legs; burying herself away out here with a long, dull case, an unwelcome, unattractive patient.

## For love

What for? What else for but for love of some man—a man first encountered, perhaps, in the hospitals and doctors' waiting rooms of Kilchester or Eversdon?

As to whether Marcus had realised by the time I had come to the end of my notes, I had known that of course he had not. No man in love, or knowing himself beloved, could

## Strong taste

Nurse Cutler—in love with Marcus Carrington. Deluding herself, no doubt, that he was "too much the gentleman" to show his true feelings while his wife—a helpless invalid—still lived.

Having recourse, at last, to some small store of digitalin; the only person who might have known what I, for one, only afterwards realised—that digitalin has a taste reminiscent of strong black tea.

Nurse Cutler, who ceaselessly made up; of tea for her patient, heavily sweetened with sugar—strong, black, Indian tea, from the special caddy on the sick-room window sill; who could easily arrange her day off to coincide with that of Dr Grayling, so that her skilled medical attention would be at hand.

She knew the ways of the house and could so easily pop back in the course of that afternoon off—entering through the French window, haul up the patient, already deep in coma, to a sitting position and leave her there—knowing, as only she would know, that in so serious a case, to raise the sufferer would accelerate death.

## The tea

Nurse Cutler, murderess; who now looked smilingly into the face of meddling Mrs Merton,



housekeeper, and said to me: "The pink cup is yours."

"There was a scurrying at the window."

"Oh, poor Sennacherib," she said. "I disturbed him." She went over to the window and struggled with the latch.

The tinkle of spoon in saucer seemed like thunder in my ears as I whipped out of sight the pink cup she had brought me and replaced it with the cup of tea that I had made for myself and which still stood, forgotten, pushed aside on the desk.

She heard nothing; she struggled with the catch and meanwhile Sennacherib, as is the way of cats, got bored with the whole affair and put his tail in the air and walked away. She came back and took up the blue cup of tea.

## I sipped

"Come on, don't let yours get cold." She sipped approvingly at her own. "I made it specially for you. To christen the new gas ring—so typical of the company to send over hot foot, when all urgent need was gone!"

I was still shaky but I sipped at my own, innocent cup. "But they couldn't install it?"

She laughed. "Oh, couldn't they? A police seal on a door that any key will open, means nothing to the gas boys. 'Oh, that's only old Joe from the station at Eversdon,' they said. 'That's not meant for us.'"

"But shall we need the gas ring in there now?" I said, privately thinking that the housekeeper might have been consulted first.

"It'll come in useful; I suppose the happy couple will have that room now she's gone. It's big—make a nice bed sit."

I had not realised that the marriage was quite such a certainty. "I don't quite see Mrs Deane making tasty snacks on a gas ring in a bed sit..."

## They? Who?

She stared at me over the rim of the big blue cup. "Who's talking about Mrs Deane?"

"Well, you say she and Trent..."

"She and Trent?" She went off into peals of crude laughter. "My dear-aren't you innocent! Philippa Deane take on that poor fellow with his cocked-up face and his gammy arms and legs; and not a penny to bless himself with besides."

She gestured with her cup at mine. "Come on—drink up."

I fancied that she watched me narrowly while I drank. I said: "They? Who?"

She laughed again, jeeringly. "Who? Who else do you think would have him, who do you think has been angling after him all this time? To get him for her own and pet him and comfort him and nurse him back to health—physical and mental."

"Poor girl—brought up all her life among sick things, suffering things, longing to look after them, bitter and frustrated all her life because her father won't let her qualify as a vet herself."

Joy Barnslow And Trent Carrington

She drank off the rest of her tea and added, very off-handedly but looking rather oddly into my face: "How do you feel—quite all right?"

## How long?

I did not know how long the poison would take to work, nor what the symptoms would be. With a vague idea, however, of pleading sickness eventually and

perhaps getting away to lock myself in my room till the others came home, I said that it did seem suddenly very hot.

She got up and drew the curtain half across the window to shut out the afternoon sun. I said in a faint voice, as though I were making an effort to show polite interest: "His allowance?"

"Mrs Carrington made him a small allowance to add to his disability pension and let him get on with his book. Funny woman, she was—she treated them all like dirt but she was good to them. Families should stick together," she used to say to me, "even if they dislike one another." Of course, the allowance dies with her."

"I see," I said; and added perhaps very foolishly, that that made two suspects less, since these two would obviously want above all things to keep Aunt Eleanor—and the precious allowance—alive.

## A bit faint

She was watching me, I thought, with increasing anxiety. "You do feel quite well?"

"A bit muzzy," I said. "A bit sort of faint."

She got up out of her chair. She came close to me and put her hand on my forehead. "A

coldness—a clamminess—here? A tightness—here?" She put her hand to her own throat to show me; and stretched it out towards mine.

Panic rose in me. All of a sudden her face seemed a terrible face, white and menacing, a stark, mad face, peering balefully into mine. I got up and backed away from her, from the outstretched hand, "Don't touch me!"

But she came after me, she caught me by the wrist, she hauled me back to her, and I was like a kitten in her strong hands.

I knew then—she was no longer content to wait for me to die; she was afraid of me. I knew something or she thought I knew something, and she could not afford to wait for me to die, lest the others come back too soon and, dying, I blurt out the something she thought I knew.

I wrenched and struggled but she held on to me, my plump wrist was helpless in the grasp of her thin, steely fingers.

Her face was terrible, thrust into mine, deathly white and glittering, with sweat, under the mop of her frizzy red hair like some Hallowe'en lantern, a turnip with hollowed-out mouth and eyes, coated all over with oil and set aflame.

I backed into the furthest corner, in an alcove of the room. "Let me alone, let me alone, I'll scream..."

She lifted her terrible face and stood for a moment looking at me with eyes that seemed utterly witless, utterly mad. Pressed back into the corner, pinned in, helpless, I opened my mouth to scream, knowing though I did that there was no help anywhere near; and she flung herself forward upon me, with upraised, clawing hands—and I knew no more.

Tomorrow—the sinister mystery of the old mystery outside still further,

## Characters in the Case

Central figure in the story is widowed MRS MERTON, cook-housekeeper to the Carringtons. They are comic-strip weird: MARCUS CARRINGTON and his invalid wife, who dies of poisoning; TRENT CARRINGTON, a war-wounded nephew; and MRS PHILIPPA DEANE, a niece. Mrs Carrington was looked after by NURSE CUTLER and visited by DR GRAYLING. An interesting outsider, JOY BARNLOW, helps in the garden, and another outsider is MRS HUTCHINSON, the daily help. Sennacherib, the cat, completes the household.

# Nathaniel Gubbins

I AM the kind of sucker who still looks forward to the spring.

All through Feb. I am as excited as a deb; I tell myself there will soon be sunshine and blossom and the birds will sing.

About this time of the year I even polish my boots.

And order new coats. Though I ought to know from experience that as soon as the blossom is out and we see pretty flaps, Out come the strikers, too, for higher wages or shorter hours.



As the tap rises and Mother Earth turns in her sleep, The blood of the worker also rises because the cost of living is not cheap, And what with P.A.Y.E. and instalments on the telly, He is inclined to say, "What the hell, what the hell?"

Though why he should feel that way so often in the spring is a very funny thing;

If life for him is hell in April and May, It must be just as hell in June, July, August, September, October, and Guy Fawkes Day.

Another thing That ruins the spring is Budget Day, Causing deep depression when we ought to feel gay.

The poet should have written "Oh to be out of England now the Budget's there, For those who live in England better have a care, 'Through birds may sing so blithely it's the end of the financial year.'"

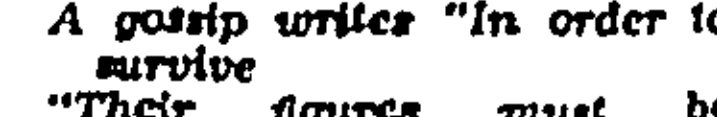
People who have any sense, And don't want to pay for defence, Or just hate The Welfare State, Live so far away That they are not worried by Budget Day.

Though you may think their behaviour vile And hope they will be hit by a guided missile.

I could be much ruder To tax dodgers in Jamaica and Bermuda, Except that I know I would soon be there myself If I had the will.

Yet another thing That happens in the spring Is the fusing of mothers and aunts About debutantes

They seem to be having far greater hell Than strikers trying to pay for the telly. A gossip writes "In order to survive 'Their figures must be 35-24-35' And that before this problem is solved 'Mental anguish is involved.'"



If you ask, "Survive what?" It only means they will shed a girlish tear If they are not selected the day of the year, Or if some with over-developed brackets

Are not among 20 with the right statistics.

The favourite in these astonishing harks Is Miss Henrietta Marks; She has "long, dark hair, a pale face and pose." She also has "brains and money," always popular with the boys.

She is tipped to win Because she is neither too fat nor too thin.

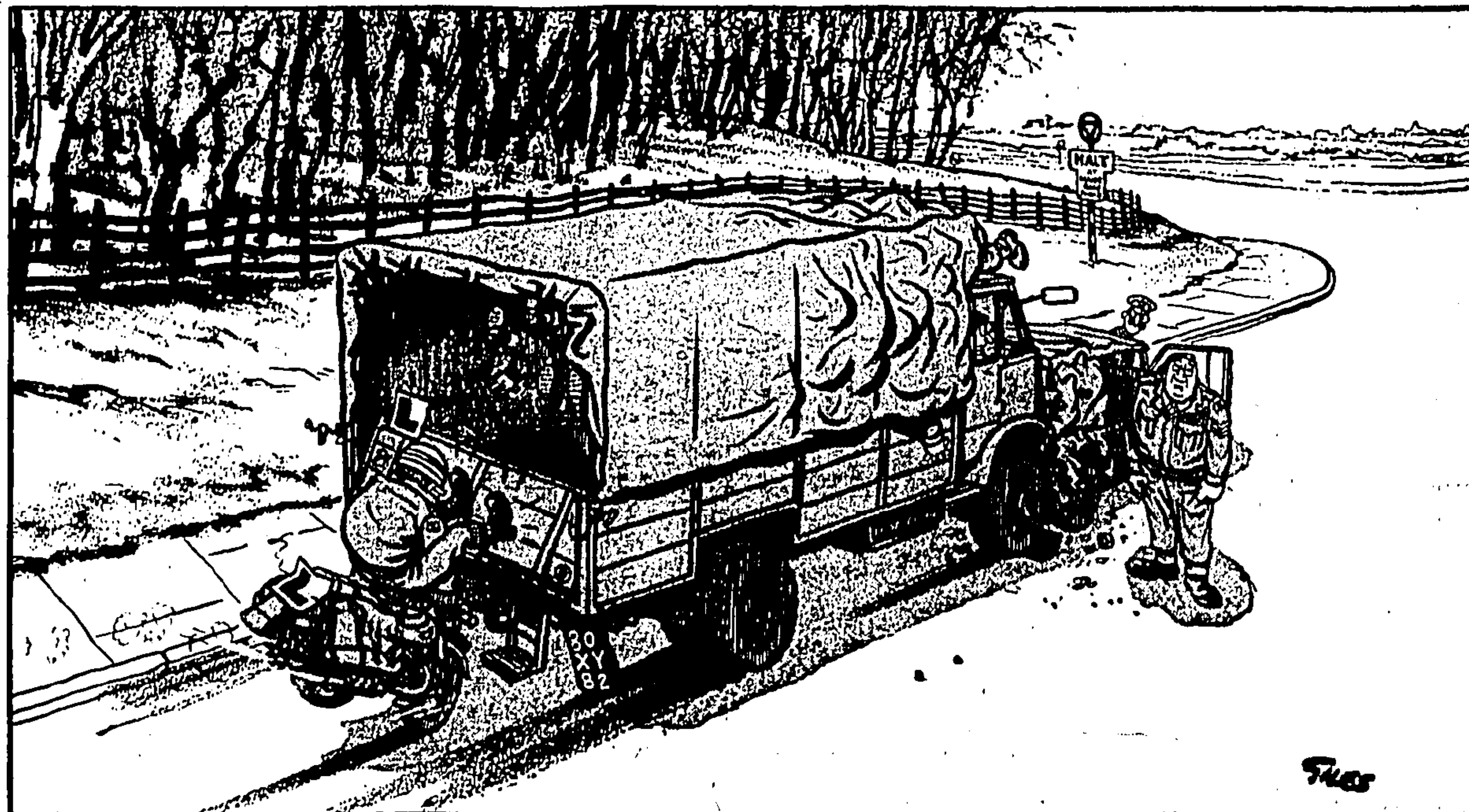
Since writing the above I see the strikes have been called off.

Which gives me a lift: So long as spring is in the air The boys will think every thing is unfair Particularly as on May Day The workers of the world go crazy-zay.

It will be the same in the spring of 1958, '59, '60, and sixty-one, And so on and so on and so on.

Hey ding-a-ding The merry, merry spring.

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"You're just like this stuff they're going to send us from the States—guided missiles with no ---- heads."

# DOCTOR BUSINESS

IN a country where the subtleties of striking are cherished like the refinements of poisoning in fifteenth-century Florence or the niceties of torture among the ancient Chinese, I am glad to find my own profession sufficiently progressive to produce its own variant.

This must be the only dispute in history in which the strikers offer the public, free of charge, the services they refuse their employers because they are not paid enough for them.

Next time the National Union of Railwaymen have their wage claim turned down perhaps they will shut only the ticket offices and give free rides to all comers.

This should start an interesting new chapter in industrial relations.

## "MYTH"

IF older members of the medical profession complain that a strike of any sort is as degrading for doctors as a street brawl, they have only themselves to blame for fostering the myth of the "gentleman practitioner."

This pretends that a doctor works only to provide himself with a little intellectual exercise and to save humanity, and insists on his always being paid in guineas as more dignified than pounds (as well as being five pence more profitable).

If doctors are so anxious to seem indifferent to money, the Government can hardly be blamed for agreeing with them, particularly as the accounting system of the medical profession is worse even than the Army's.

A surgeon facing the customer whose gall bladder he intends to remove in a week's time introduces the topic of fees as though mentioning the possibility of fatal complications, and finally decides whether to sling the fellow 50 guineas or a couple

Errors and omissions excepted.

The reluctance of some doctors to discuss money must not be confused with the dislike of all doctors to accept private fees (unless in cash) between the start of the Christian year and the financial one.

In this period you can get 50 guineas' worth of consultation for a case of whisky or have half your inside out for a refectory table in good condition, and if some rural practitioners declined all their takings from Christmas to Easter their income-tax returns would resemble the catalogue of a dairy show.

If this system were officially encouraged it would not only prevent the strike but restore much of the charm of general practice, as well as meaning that you would not think twice if your doctor asked you to dinner.

## TO RULE—

THE British Medical Association's strike tactics are ingenious but really wholly unnecessary.

I am surprised that no one on its General Medical Services Committee remembered enough of his undergraduate instruction to see how the Ministry of Health could be brought to its knees by a decision to work to rule.

All medical students are told on their first afternoon: "You must examine the whole patient in every case," and if the old doors queuing up for their bottle of medicine and change of bandage were subjected to complete clinical examination—including gas-troscopy, barium meal, cystoscopy, pelvic analysis—public outcry would double the doctors' pay overnight.

by Richard Gordon

Author of: • DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE  
• DOCTOR AT LARGE  
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## This Funny World



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## YOUR BIRTHDAY... BY STELLA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

BORN today, you have one of those constantly active minds which must be occupied all the time or you become restless and irritable. You could become known as the "gadabout" with the terrible temper if you don't watch out. There is no denying that you do have very

special talents, but if you are to develop them to their utmost, then you must cultivate self-control. For until you learn to become master of yourself, you can hardly expect to lead others wisely.

Your magnetic personality makes it easy for you to attract people into your orbit. But you will need to work at it. If you are to have a successful career, you must have a career unless you have your own home and family, as well. You are enough of an executive to carry on both marriage and a career with easy efficiency, never neglecting one for the other.

Fond of music, you probably will have a natural beautiful voice. Whether it is cultivated professionally or merely used for your own and your family's pleasure is a choice which is yours alone. You may have a serious offer of a career yet turn it down since members of your family have a greater hold on your time and devotion. You know only too well that a professional concert artist cannot always call his time his own. If you select the career you want, you will need until later in life. In this case, anticipate a certain amount of emotional discontent.

Among those born on this date were: J. P. Morgan, financier; Vance Thompson, Thornton Wilder and Willa Cather, authors, and Artur Schnabel, pianist.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Impulse you're giving disaster, so think before making up your mind. **TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Follow that "small inner voice" if you are to be sure of doing the right thing today. Pay heed or err in judgment.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 21)—No matter how much rushing around others do today, make it a point to stay calm and serene. Your judgment is better then. **CANCER** (June 22-July 22)—It is important that you take care of your health today. Guard against a digestive upset. Familiar routine is best.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)—Don't take chances today. Follow a regular schedule and be careful that you do not overstep the mark. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Catch up on back work which may have accumulated. Starting anything new until later on in the week.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Facts are what count today. Fancy may be fun, but this is not a day to indulge in whims. Keep your feet on the ground.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—It is important that you exert judgment in making decisions today. Thought rather than action is important.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Be calm no matter what happens. If you have the foresight necessary to decide properly, all goes well.

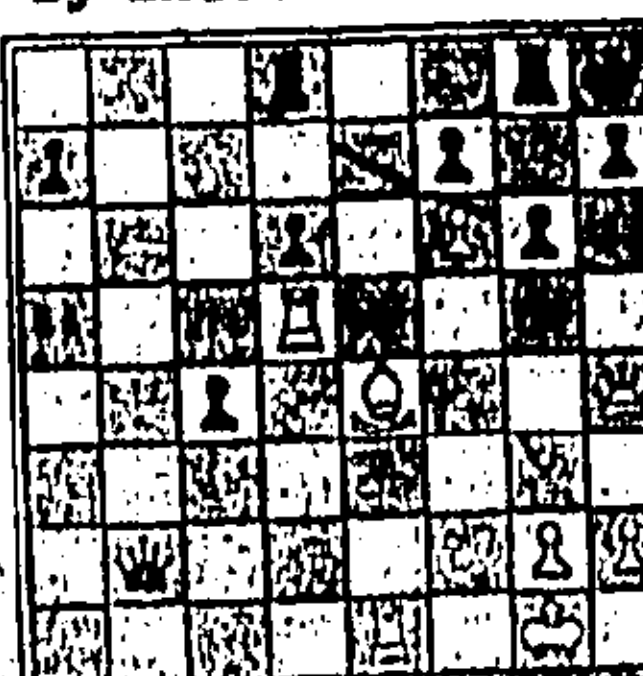
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Hold fast to your best principles and do not permit yourself to be persuaded to do anything against your better judgment.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Make the most of what you have. Don't be afraid of dreaming about the future. The present duty is more important.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If you take the leadership in your personal affairs and stay calm about them, all is under control.

## CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



From actual play: White to move and win.

SOLUTION: 1. Q-K4, R-QK5, 2. P-K3.

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15. Q-K4, R-QK5, 16. P-K3.

BY THE WAY  
by Beachcomber

It has now been explained by Here are three news items which have caught my eye.

(1) Children wearing homemade togas ate snails and tripe and onions in Northamptonshire.

(2) At Salford docks Zoo men, Customs officials, shipping company officials, and Ministry of Agriculture inspectors met a warthog flown from Nigeria. As the animal was being led to its reserved railway coach it jumped into the water and was drowned.

(3) American midgelets are petitioning the Government for half-fares for adults weighing less than 55t. 5lb.

Out today

THE eagerly awaited Volume V of the List of Huntingdonshire Cabbages is fully up to the standard of the previous volumes. It is, inevitably, more in the category of solid intellectual fare than that of light entertainment, though "Boobie, B.M.R." in Section 14, may well raise a smile. I cannot agree with a fellow critic who hopes that in the next volume the word "Mr" should precede each name. As the cabbages are to have a volume to themselves, the word is superfluous. This volume is easy to handle, and the arrangement of the names in alphabetical order makes it convenient for reference. I have only one trivial criticism to make. Surely, Paffeborough, H.D., is a misprint for Paffeborough, N.D., and should be corrected in the next edition.

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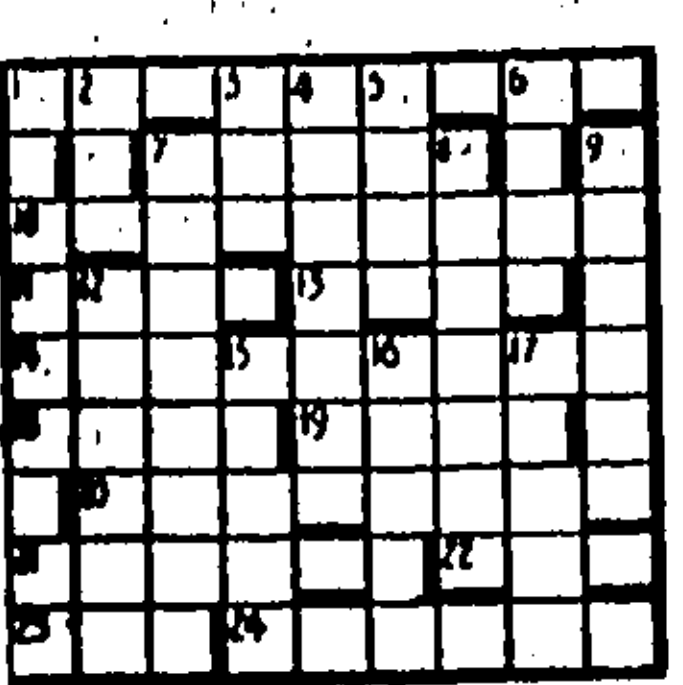
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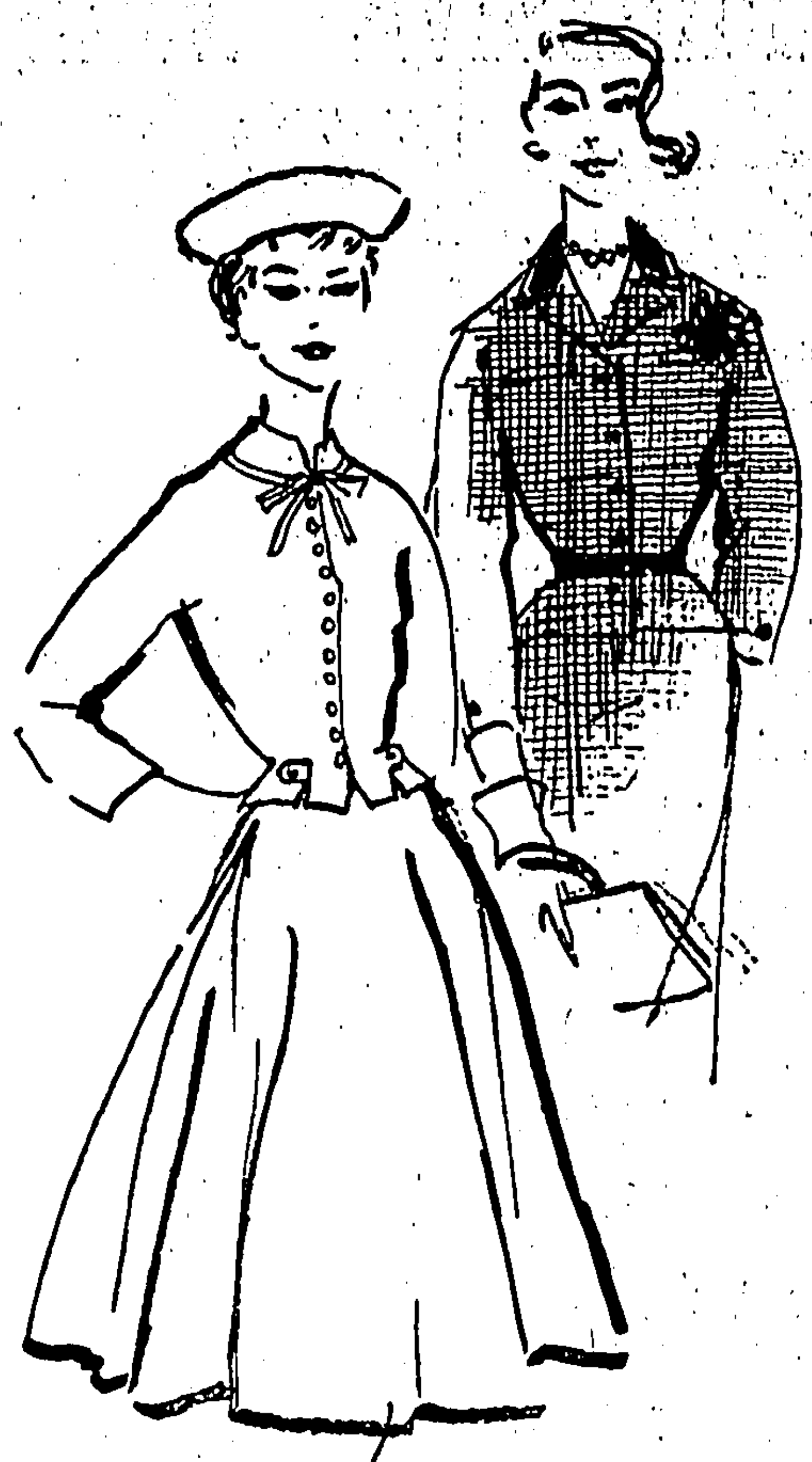
## Spring Suits Scaled To The Petite Figure

New York. FOR those of you in that popular height category, five foot four and under, fashion measures up—or down—to your size. Spring suits for the coming Easter parade favour breezy jackets and even the flared skirt is seen, two important fashion treatments that are very flattering to the smaller figure.

The suit selected in your own size naturally requires fewer alterations. Changes should be avoided, not only because they are costly, but because sometimes merely shortening sleeve lengths and hemlines leaves the body of the garment out of proportion for you. When a suit is cut for the petite, many things are considered. Waistlines are designed to coincide with your natural waist, necklines fit accurately and collars are proportioned to flatter but never overwhelm. Darts that fit a bodice or skirt have more definition for you too. Sleeves have armholes cut higher to give more length to the body. Their shape permits elbows to jut where they should—not halfway between elbow and wrist.

Suits for the petite make use of fabric for figure flattery, too. Smooth grey flannel, firm lightweight wool crepe in navy blue and carefully selected patterns are some of those that appear in fresh designs for 1957. Checks are subtle; a tiny check-over-check pattern uses two tones of blue or red or white. Tweeds appear in the smaller designs that the petite figure finds easier to wear.

The handsome leather belt, high bodice pocket edges, the half collar in velvet, the narrow string bow tie in self-wool and small buttons are some of the finishing touches that emphasize quiet, good design in suits this season, for the girl who likes to look like a fashion model but is several inches shorter.



Left: A navy wool outfit with brief jacket and flared skirt. Note the very feminine neckline with self bow, tiny buttons to the waist and pocket flaps on hips.

Right: A slim belted suit in a beautiful tiny red and white check. Two shades of red give it a soft look; the belt is red leather.

—ALICE DENHOFF

## Easter Eggs And Bunnies To Delight Children

HOW about making some Brownie Easter Eggs and Fondant Bunnies?

Brownie Easter Eggs

To make 12 eggs, melt a tbsp. butter with 1/4 c. water in top of double boiler. Add 1 pkg. quick fudge mix, stirring well for about 4 min., or until glossy. Remove from heat. Cool.

Add 30 graham crackers, coarsely crumbled, and blend well. Spoon mixture into well buttered plastic egg trays. (12 trays are not available, allow mixture to cool until easy to handle, then shape into ovals.) Chill until firm.

Separate into halves. Then place together with filling of confectioners' sugar icing. Decorate with frosting in pastry tube to resemble Easter eggs. Makes 12.

Candy Bunnies

For the bunnies, make up your favourite candy fondant recipe.

For each "bunny" shape an oval ball of fondant about 1-in. long and place on a graham cracker for the body. Shape a smaller ball for the head and two smaller pieces for the ears. Use a tiny ball of mixture for the tail. Insert small candles for the eyes.

A Simple Dessert

For a simple Easter egg type of dessert, make up your favourite tapioca cream or vanilla custard pudding, using either a packaged mix or your own recipe. Pour pudding into sherbert glasses to chill.

Also make up 1 pkg. fruit gelatin and pour into small, round moulds or flat pans to chill.

To serve, unmold gelatin rounds or scoop out by the spoonful, placing 1 scoop on top of each pudding. Sprinkle plain and toasted coconut generously around gelatin "eggs."

—ALICE DENHOFF

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

O'Scowl Never Forgets  
—He Had One of the Best Teachers in the World—

By MAX TRELL

"ALWAYS forgetting things," was the voice on the other side of the garden wall was grumbling. "If your head wasn't attached to your shoulders, you'd be forgetting that, too!"

Knarf and Hanid, who were coming down the hill, recognised the voice the instant they heard it. Only one person could sound as grumpy and grouchy as that.

"It's Pixie O'Scowl," said Knarf.

Angry Way

They climbed over the garden wall. On the other side, walking up and down in an angry way was, sure enough, Pixie O'Scowl. Sitting on the ground and looking very dismal was Pixie McSnooze.

As soon as Knarf and Hanid reached the other side of the wall, Pixie O'Scowl said: "Just look at him. He's forgotten his name, he's and so on. How can he help me weed the mushroom patch if he's forgotten where he left his tools?"

"I didn't mean to forget them," whimpered Pixie McSnooze.

"Go back at once and look for them, you idiot," said Pixie O'Scowl. "I'll wait here till you get back!"

So while Pixie McSnooze slouched off to find his tools, Pixie O'Scowl sat himself down under the shade of a daisy.

Never Forgets

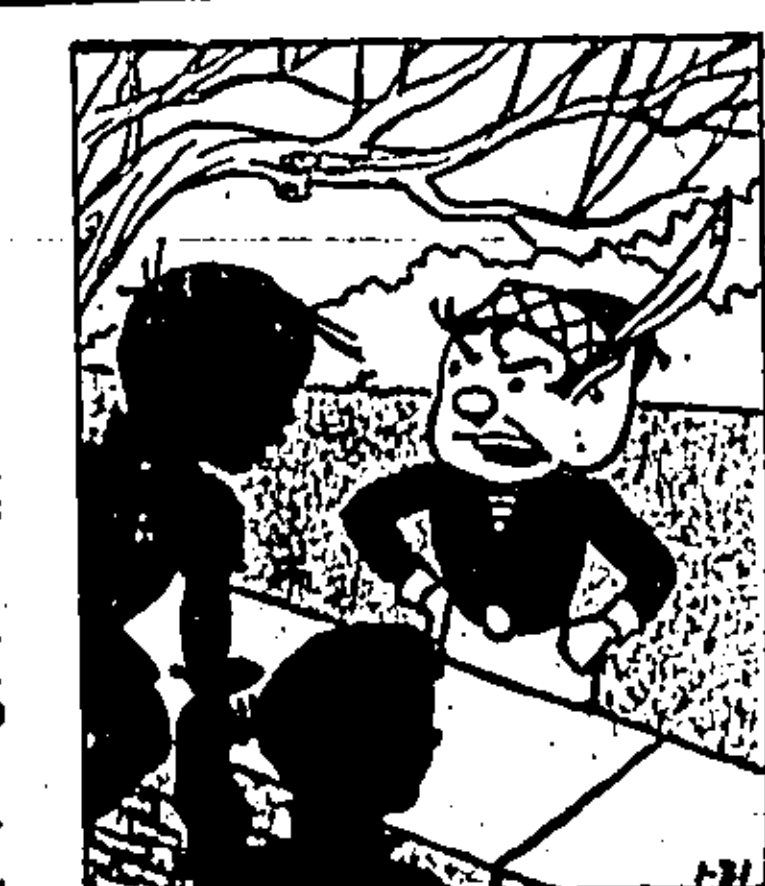
"Everybody forgets things but me. I never forget anything."

"Never!" said Hanid.

"Never!" repeated Pixie O'Scowl. "When I was very young, I learned how always to remember where I put things. Yes, I learned from one of the very best teachers in the world."

Knarf and Hanid were curious to know who Pixie O'Scowl's teacher was. They asked him.

"Why, he was an old friend who used to live out in the garden, not far from here," replied Pixie O'Scowl. "To tell



Over the wall, the Shadows saw the angry pixie.

you see, my friend was very fond of nuts, all kinds of nuts. Well, it often happened that he collected more nuts than he could eat. Besides, he was always thinking of the wintertime when he wouldn't be able to find any nuts at all. So he did a very simple thing. He hid them in the ground.

His Cupboard

"The ground is my cupboard," he used to say. He'd hide one here and one there, all through the garden. But he'd always find them again, even though it was months and months later.

"How did he do that, Pixie O'Scowl?" Knarf asked.

"That was very simple, too," said Pixie O'Scowl. "He'd say to himself: 'Now, if I had a nut at this moment, where

would be the best place to hide it?' And he'd dig at the place he thought best to hide it, and sure enough, there was the nut he had already hidden there. Though, now and then," Pixie O'Scowl added with a little smile, "when he didn't get around to looking for a hidden nut for several years he'd often find a walnut tree, or a chestnut tree, or a hickory tree growing where he had hidden the nut. But he didn't really mind that."

"What was your friend's name?" Knarf asked



# MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## YANKEES AND MILWAUKEE BRAVES START SEASON WITH IMPRESSIVE WINS

New York, Apr. 16.

With veteran southpaws Whitey Ford and Warren Spahn pitching in mid-season form, the New York Yankees and the Milwaukee Braves—the most popular “daily double” Pennant combination in the pre-season polls—launched their 1957 campaigns on Tuesday with impressive triumphs.

Ford allowed only six hits as the world champion Yankees edged the Washington Senators 2-1 on a ninth-inning single by Andy Carey, while the Braves turned back the Chicago Cubs 4-1 behind Spahn's neat four-hitter.

A crowd of 31,044 at Yankee Stadium watched Chuck Stobbs duel Ford through six scoreless innings. Roy Sievers put Washington ahead with a lead-off homer in the seventh, but the Yankees tied it in their half of the frame on a home run by Yogi Berra.

In the ninth, Berra led off with a single and moved to third on Gil McDougald's double. After Elston Howard drew an intentional pass to load the bases, Carey came through with his game-winning blow.

It was a tough setback for Stobbs, who had held the Yankees to four hits until the tragic ninth.

The Braves scored all their runs in the fourth inning, with Johnny Logan and Ed Mathews striking the key blows. Mathews tripled home Hank Aaron with the first Milwaukee run and scored himself on a scratch single by Joe Adcock. Logan

then followed with a two-run homer.

Tom Brewer of the Red Sox and Tom Morgan of the Athletics also pitched well in providing their teams with opening game victories.

### CONTINUES MASTERY

Brewer, who beat the Orioles four times last year without a loss, continued his mastery over Baltimore by scattering nine hits and three runs in a 4-2 triumph. Boston scored all its runs in the fourth inning off Lefty Bill Wright.

Morgan, a Yankee cast-off, allowed only four hits in hurling the Athletics to a 2-1 victory over the Tigers. Gus Zernial, however, for Kansas City in the sixth with none aboard and the Athletics picked up their winning run in the seventh on key singles by Jim Pisoni and Joe Demaestri.

Billy Pierce of the White Sox and Score of the Indians hooked up in an old-fashioned pitching duel at Cleveland, with Pierce and the White Sox finally walking off with a 3-2 victory on Larry Doby's 11th inning single.

Pierce struck out nine men and allowed eight hits during the drawn-out contest. Score whiffed 10 and permitted only seven hits but issued 11 walks, two of which Chicago turned into runs.

The Pirates, who won the Grapefruit League title, proved they can also win when it counts, scoring six runs in the eighth inning to down the Giants 9-2.

A crowd of 33,405—the largest opening attendance at a major league game—watched Bob Friend set down the Giants with eight hits. Losing pitcher Johnny Antonelli allowed only three hits in seven innings but yielded three runs and six walks.

Stan Musial collected four hits in four official at-bats in leading the Cardinals to a 13-4 victory over the Redlegs before an opening day crowd of 32,654 at Cincinnati. The Cardinal reached four Cincinnati homers for 17 hits, while Herni Wheeler

over the Reds at St. Louis, scattering eight safeties.

In a night game, the Brooklyn Dodgers opened their bid for a third straight Pennant by playing the Phillies at Philadelphia. United Press.

### THE RESULTS

**American League**  
Washington 000-000-100-1-0-1  
New York 000-000-101-2-7-1  
Stobbs (0-1) and Fitzgerald (1-0) and Berra (HR).  
Ford (1-0) and Berra (HR).  
Boston 000-000-000-2-0-0-1  
Baltimore 000-000-000-2-0-0-1  
Brewer, Delock (8) and White (W).  
Wright, Beamon (4), Ferrarese (5), Consuegra (10), Zureick (10).  
Johnson (6) and Triandos (W).  
Brewer (1-0). LF-Wright (0-1).

Chicago 010-010-000-01-3-7-3  
Cleveland 001-100-000-00-2-0-3  
Pierce (1-0) and Lollar: Score (0-0) and Hogg (1-0).  
Detroit 000-000-010-1-4-0-0  
Kansas City 000-001-100-2-7-0  
Lary (0-1) and Wilson: Morgan (1-0) and Smith: HR-Zernial (1st).

**National League**  
St. Louis 101-015-140-13-17-0  
Cincinnati 000-201-100-4-8-1  
Wehmeier (1-0) and H. Smith: Klippstein (6) and Fowler (6).  
Gross (6), Freeman (6) and Bailey: LF-Klippstein (0-1). HR-B. Smith (1st).  
Milwaukee 000-004-000-4-8-0  
Chicago 000-010-000-1-4-1  
Spahn (1-0) and Crandall: Rauh, Drott (1).  
Valentinetti (9) and Newman: LF-Spahn (0-1). HR-Logan (1st).

New York 001-000-100-2-10-3  
Pittsburgh 010-010-000-0-1-1  
Antonelli, Grison (8), Jones (8) and Westrum: Thomas (0), Friend (1-0) and Frolen: LF-Antonelli (0-1).  
HR-Thompson (1st). — United Press.

### HOME RUGGER RESULTS

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Bristol 10-14  
Cardiff 10-14  
Glasgow 10-14  
Leeds 10-14  
Manchester 10-14  
Sheff. 10-14  
Wid. 10-14  
Wolves 10-14  
York 10-14



## International Cross Country Championship Should Be A World-Wide Event

Says LEONARD BELSHAM

London, Apr. 17.

Continued fine performances by cross country runners of Western European countries during the winter led, not unnaturally, to thoughts of how they compare with runners in the Eastern countries.

It is no real good to take mere times for races over the same distance in the two areas, and say one is better than the other, because course conditions can vary so much. The only way is for the runners from both to meet in the same race, as they do in distance events on the track. But whether this will ever come about is a major problem of the sport.

The so termed International Cross Country Championship of the present day is confined to about ten Western European countries and though England did not win team honours in Brussels recently they had the first three men home to suggest they have the best cross country runners. But might not Russia, Czechoslovakia and Poland, to mention but three of the Easterners, object to such an assertion?

The race is run by the International Cross Country Union, which is quite a separate body to the International Amateur Athletic Federation, the ruling authority for athletics sport on track and field. The IAAF do not embrace cross country running although their laws have, up to a point, to be followed even in the winter sport.

There is apparently no reason why Russia, Poland and the other Eastern countries could not apply for membership of the IAAF. In fact, Yugoslavia, another of the Easterners, has run in the cross country race. But a closer alliance between the IAAF and the ICCU might help to make the International Cross Country Championship a really world-wide event.

**EVERY CONSIDERATION**  
To take in the whole area of the IAAF jurisdiction and run such an event would, apparently,

require a permit from the IAAF and an official in London add this week that any such approach from the ICCU would receive every consideration.

The IAAF would not assume control but would send an observer and generally hold a watching brief to see that international laws are obeyed.

There is, however, one big snag. The IAAF recognise only one authority in each country, and for purposes of affiliation to them Britain, comprising England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales, is reckoned as one.

In the international cross country race England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales enter individually and it is not likely that Scotland, Wales and Ireland would care to be swallowed up.

Southern Ireland, or Eire, could still go in as a separate body apparently, although in other sporting spheres the separation of the two islands has led to some strife in sporting circles.

This position of Britain as opposed to the four separate countries would be one of the biggest problems in attempting to get a truly international cross country race with East and West meeting, and all the IAAF laws obeyed.

The only alternative apparently is to leave things as they are with the ICCU issuing special invitations to the other countries; but then the IAAF might step in feeling that they should assume control.

**HOME SOCCER RESULTS**  
London, Apr. 16.  
Oldham and Hartlepool played to a goalless draw in a Third Division North match at Oldham today.

In the First Division of the Scottish League, Queen's Park, at home, were beaten 3-1 by Dunfermline. — Reuters.

## FRENCH CHALLENGE IN 2,000 GUINEAS MAY STILL BE HELD

Says CLAUDE RICHARDSON

London, Apr. 17.

Two prominent candidates for the Newmarket 2,000 Guineas and Epsom Derby, Eudemon and Pipe of Peace, won classic trials in Britain during the past week — but not without some effort.

Eudemon, owned by Mrs Elsie Foster and trained by Captain Charles Eley at Malton, Yorkshire, won the Column Produce Stakes over the 2,000 Guineas course and distance (one mile); Greek shipowner My Stavros Niarchos' Pipe of Peace, trained by Sir Gordon Richards, took the Greenham Stakes over Newmarket's seven furlongs.

Eudemon had only a length to spare over his nearest rival in a field of almost unknown maidens, and Pipe of Peace's success was scored by only a short head.

It might seem from the cold statistics of the victories that Britain's chances of holding the 2,000 Guineas against the French challenge on May 1 have been secured. But there are reasons to believe that both wins were worth more than appears "on the books".

Eudemon has not been noted for doing more than absolutely necessary for victory, though he proved in six wins last season that there is no tougher battler when the occasion calls for a supreme effort.

Captain Eley is one of the shrewdest trainers in Britain, and he times the preparation of a horse for a big event to a degree. There is no doubt that he will produce the sturdy son of Fardal fighting fit on Guineas day.

Pipe of Peace was run to the narrowest margin by Major Desmond McCallum's Crampion who, though a winner twice already, this season, was quoted at almost unconsidered 33/1 in Guineas betting before his tilt at Sir Gordon's charge.

**STOLE A MARCH**  
Doug Smith, on Crampion, "stole a march" on Scoble Breeze, riding Pipe of Peace, by challenging suddenly on the far side of the course, but Brown's mare, before the start, was well satisfied with the colt's performance. — Reuters.

Wayne II, in the colours of American owner Mr Ralph Strassburger, had only minor opposition to deal with, but he performed his task with commendable ease.

After the race it was stated that Wayne II was a definite runner for the 2,000 Guineas in which he will be ridden by Fred Palmer.

It will be interesting to see how the battle goes between him and Pipe of Peace in the Guineas. When they met in the Middle Park Stakes at Newmarket in October the English trained colt won by a neck. — China Mail Special.

## Ceylon Davis Cup Team Not Better Than Malaysians

Singapore, Apr. 16.

The Ceylon Davis Cup team to meet Japan in the Eastern Zone semi-final, next week, played a series of exhibition matches here today.

Rupert Ferdinand (Ceylon) drew his match with Ong Chew-bee, Malaysia's number one player, 6-4, 4-6.

Bernard Pinto (Ceylon) also drew with A. G. B. Fakir, the fifth ranking Malaysian player, 6-3, 8-6.

Rajah Prasoddy (Ceylon) played one set with Lim Hee-chin, the Malaysian number three who won 6-3.

In a doubles match, Ferdinand and Pinto were leading Ong Chew-bee and Lim Hee-chin 8-7, 2-2 when bad light stopped play. — Reuters.

## NO TAX—MORE AND BETTER SPORT?

## A Lot Of People May Have To Do A Lot Of Explaining

Says DENNIS HART

If British professional sport does not pep itself up in the next couple of years a lot of people will have to do a lot of explaining. For years now, promoters and authorities have been trotting out a stock excuse to explain away British sporting failures—the entertainment tax. It has been labelled the villain of the piece from football flops to big fight flops.

Now, with a stroke of the pen, Mr Peter Thompson, the Chairman of the Entertainment Tax Committee, has removed the tax and, with the excuse.

Soccer will now have another million and a half pounds a year. Players can expect better wages and spectators better accommodation, while for many smaller clubs their cut will mean salvation.

Boxing fans will be able to see bigger and better shows. British promoters will be able to compete on equal terms with the Americans. It's the same with golf, Rugby League, speedway—there all see this tax abolition as a means to expand.

And that is why removing the tax can do so much good. It will increase competition, the very life-blood of sport.

### THE EXTREME CASE

Take boxing, for instance. This is the extreme example. There, the life-blood has virtually ceased to circulate, and we all know the resulting state of health of British boxing. For the entertainment tax has been hitting the business at its most vulnerable point—the small shows where champions have their battles.

In 1952, 708 tournaments were staged in Britain. That was before the tax went up. Then up went the tax and down went the number of tournaments until, last year, less than 300 were held.

Now British boxers will have two incentives to put more into their fighting. They will face more competition and the rewards will be greater for those who do make the grade.

Remember how British champions have been accused of not training properly? Let me tell you the story of a recent British championship fight. For defending champion the champion was offered the princely sum of £250. After income tax, trainer's fee, train-

ing expenses and sparring partners' fees, he would barely have broken even. And only then because his manager refused to take a cut.

### NO WONDER

No wonder, he complained: "It wasn't worth taking off time from work for I've got a steady job and I have a family to keep. If I'd got badly beaten and had to lay off work I'd have been out of pocket."

This is not an attempt to excuse a boxer who does not train properly. But I think it helps to explain a lot.

But that explanation is dead—killed by the abolition of the entertainment tax. The coin is now on the sport and on the spectators.

Britain will see more fights, more golf tournaments, more speedway, more football, more and footballers have the promise of greater rewards.

And that is not to improve well, we'll just have to think up some more excuses. — Reuters.

## SO FAR AT LEAST...

## Liberal Lady Looks The Season's Best Two-Year-Old

At this stage of the flat-racing season a year ago Mr C. R. Harper's Ennis had already scored two victories and proved himself by the end of the season one of the fastest two-year-olds in training.

I do not think that we have seen anything of the calibre of Ennis so far this season despite the open nature of the winter.

I was not at all impressed with the looks of the two-year-olds which ran at Lincoln because I had been round the stables and every trainer had a number in his yard which far outshined in looks any seen in the opening week of the season.

Furthermore, Lincoln form has not been enhanced by subsequent events, though La Pann got home at Leicester last Saturday week.

### FLIGHTY

This daughter of Pearl Diver has duly gone along in the right way. Balser, narrowly beaten in the Brocklesby Stakes, proved no match for Liberal Lady. Liberal Lady is bred on purely sprinting lines and would be given pride of place at the moment in any list of two-year-olds which have so far been out.

Although she appears rather flighty she is big and strong and can certainly gallop. She did a considerably faster time than Dear Denny, winner

of the following event. Dear Denny won comfortably and next time he appears will give an improved performance. Indeed, Dear Denny I noted a couple of two-year-olds who should improve. Kola Bay ran fourth and Nicely Nicely ran sixth. Kola Bay is a daughter of Pandemonium and will not be set impossible tasks. He is sure to pick up a two-year-old race.

### MORE BACKWARD

Nicely Nicely is more backward, but is bred on classic lines. He may eventually prove the best of the two-year-olds which ran in his race, but will require time to do this.

There is no doubt that Mr Jack Swift's Well Scored is by far the best two-year-old selling player seen out so far this season.

Indeed I think she could beat the majority of two-year-old winners of any type of race. She had been well schooled and knew her business well when asked to quicken. — (London Express Service).

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## Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street, To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

of the 1957-58 season.

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## THE GAMBOLS



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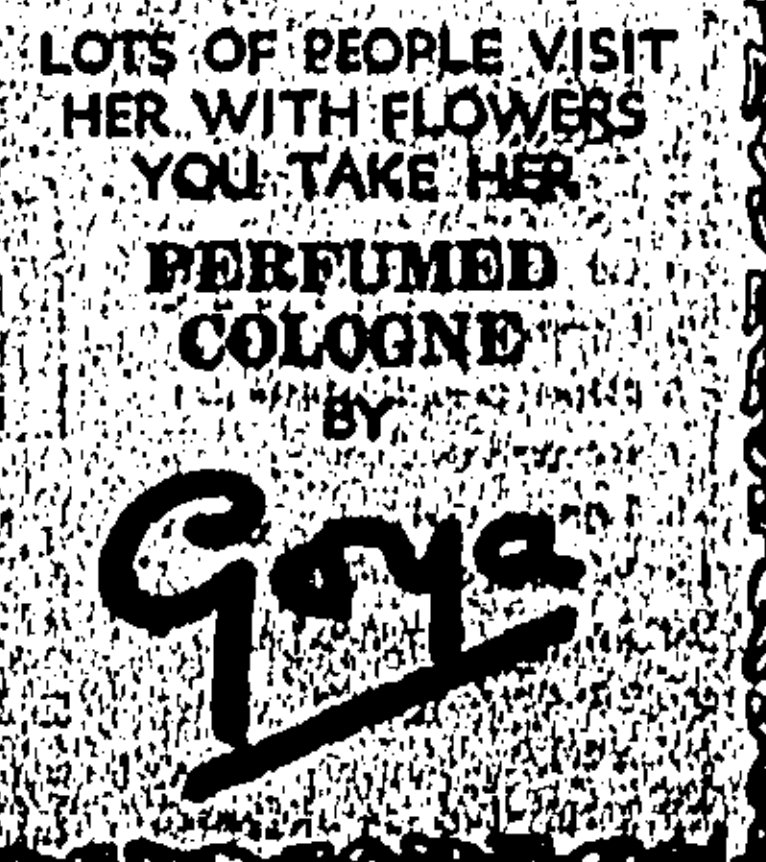
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## ONE MAN INSPIRES A SOCCER MIRACLE

## Derby Climbs From The Shadows

By ALAN HOBY

Great clubs are like great boxers. You can't keep them down. While Manchester United got the hurrahs and the headlines, another club, almost as famous, slowly claws its way out of the shadows.

Eleven years ago Derby County were the glamour-boys of Soccer. They were giants, like Arsenal, Newcastle, Spurs and Sunderland. International stars like silver-haired Horatio Carter and flame-topped Peter Doherty played for them.

They paid a record fee of £15,000 for Scotland's Billy Steel. They drew cheering crowds wherever they went.

Indeed, after the Rams had beaten Charlton 4-1 in the 1940 Final at Wembley, more than 20,000 people crammed Derby market place to greet the Cup winners as they drove by in an open wagon bearing the banner "Derby is proud of you."

Little did those roaring thousands know—then—that Derby were heading for the worst slump in modern football.

As skipper Jack Nicholson held the Cup aloft, how could they possibly guess that in the next few years Derby would be—

● Swamped by scandal;

● Fined £500, and two officials banned from football for life after an FA inquiry had established that illegal payments had been made to players and that £2,710 14s. PAYE had been withheld from the inland Revenue—a sum subsequently paid in full;

● Flung from the majesty of the First Division to the "rock-bottom" of the Third Division North in three short seasons—'53-'54—'55—and,

● Lost £29,312 on the 1954-55 season and run up a

bank overdraft over the years of £98,238.

Yes, dramatically and disastrously, the sun had gone in for Derby, one of the original 12 members of the Football League. Their days of glory were over—for ever, it seemed.

**CRISIS MOVE**

Then out of the darkness, a remarkable thing happened. In 1955, tough, shrewd Harry Storer, former Coventry and Birmingham boss, was appointed manager of his old club.

And what did Harry do? Straightaway, without "messing," this human dynamo set in operation his own one-man comeback campaign.

Without money, without glamour, without stars, without nothing but his blazing belief in himself and his knowledge of human nature, Storer, in two hectic seasons, piloted Derby to the top of the Northern section. Meet him and you will understand WHY. The jutting jaw, the driving energy and forthright language are only part of the man.

**HE KNOWS**

For they hide an acute knowledge of football—and footballers.

## SOCCER NEWS

## Bedford Jezzard Is Not Finished With Football

By JAMES CONNOLLY

Bedford Jezzard, Fulham's England international centre-forward, won't make any decision about his future until Fulham start pre-season training this summer.

Jezz, who hasn't played since he was injured in last season's FA South African tour, wants to be back if there is any chance of regaining his old form.

He could pack in with £4,000 compensation, a benefit match and his benevolent fund cheque.

Meanwhile he is taking a coaching course in London, which seems to indicate that he wants to stay in the game.

Arthur Rowe, the former Spurs team boss, has turned down an offer of the Norwich managership.

Norwich will be back again, but Arthur isn't likely to change his mind.

Birmingham are favourites for Lincoln's Young England left-half Dick Neal but they may be pipped if they don't make up their minds pretty soon.

Preston, Sheffield United, and Middlesbrough want Neal—and they don't mind the price.

## EVERY CHANCE

Now that Johnny Brooks is back in the Spurs team there is every chance that he will stay at White Hart Lane.

Spurs were willing to sell Brooks, but they didn't get one bid for the lad who, at the

beginning of the season, looked like becoming a regular in the England team.

With his return to First Division football Brooks has also more than a sporting chance of getting back into the England World Cup side.

Who gets the Brentford job now that Bill Dodgin has confirmed that he will leave Griffin Park in May?

Favourite appears to be George Poyser, former Notts County manager and Brentford player, who recently had informal talks with Brentford officials.

Brentford fans are rightly disturbed at Dodgin's decision. He believes in looking after the supporters, and made many ground improvements to prove his point.

Sunderland full-back Joe McDonald asked to be dropped from the first team. A transfer request may follow. Joe wants to go back to Scotland.—London Express Service.

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"On away match days when I stand on the station or outside the bus," he told me, "I don't count the players. I count the number of hearts I'm taking along with me."

"Remember this. The principle of the man who plays for you is almost as important as his ability. Putting on a football shirt won't change his nature."

"If he's a so-and-so he'll remain a so-and-so."

"My team are no better than any other—but they ARE reliable, conscientious fellows. They respond to what I've tried to give them—that is lots of spirit, lots of confidence and lots of belief in themselves."

The club has been lucky too in its captain, Paddy Ryan, the old West Bromwich star. On the field Paddy is always working, always prompting.

"But The Plan, Harry," I urged. "Tell me about the plan to put Derby back on top."

"What plan?" roared Storer. "It's impossible to set yourself a time limit like that. Anyone who talks about 'five-year plans' is out of his head, unless, of course, he's got an established side like Manchester United."

Harry, who had eaten something for breakfast which disagreed with him, paused to pour himself a small slug of brandy. I had a beer.

Then the torrent of ideas and words burst forth again. "Football is like boxing," declared this remarkable character who, for 16 seasons, was a Derbyshire opening bat.

"The forwards are the attacker, the defence the counter-puncher. It's up to the latter to force the forwards into error."

## TEAM BUILDER

And again... "I've built my team like this... A goalkeeper, Terry Webster, who isn't afraid to have his line. Three TACKLERS in centre-half Ken Oliver and the two backs, Martin McDonnell and Jeff Barrowcliffe. A BALL PLAYER at right half in Albert Mays; at left half a DESTROYER, Glyn Davies.

"Forwards? We have CRAFT on the wings from Tom Powell and Dennis Woodhead; CRAFT-AND-GO from centre-forward Ray Straw; a GOER at inside-right in Gordon Brown; and finally, CRAFT-AND-GRAFT from Ryan at inside-left."

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A divided spotlight this week embraces two major sports which have honoured their more successful players with the award of caps or colours. Congratulations to cricketers Major Martin French-Blake, Major Lionel Barker, Major Keith Goodall, Capt. Peter Tidy, Lt. Phillip Horwood, Sign. Terry Ashcroft and Pte. David Pettitt, on the award of a cap, in all cases well and truly earned.

To Rugby football players, Brigadier J. G. C. Waldron at the Army Rugby dinner last week, after paying tribute to various officials, awarded colours to some 17 stalwarts of this code and having seen them all in action at one time or another I can but congratulate the Selection Committee on the wise choice they have made.

In order of seniority the recipients were: Capt. Ted Dowling, Capt. John de Cordova, Capt. Mander, Capt. Gould, Capt. Brian Barber, Lieut. John Sharpe, Mike Riley, Deric Robinson, Bob Crosse, David Green (Little David of course) and to complete the officers' quota, Lieut. Wyss and Pearce.

To their very popular hooker Sgt. Eric Barker, Spr. Jones, Gnr. King, Tpr. Worsey and Pte. Williams, you've done all I look forward to the commencement of the new season with hopes of seeing most of you in action again.

**MINOR UNITS SOCCER**  
In the football world the final play-off for the Minor Units League Champions saw Command Workshops REME hood-wink the forecasters yet again and, against their predictions, hold the powerful 137 HAA (Java) Battery R.A. to draw the honours on goal average.

There are many who dislike the system of winning by decimal places of goals for or against, but in fairness to the organisers it must be stated that this was put to the vote at the last annual meeting and if units did not know of it, it could only be that their representative either did not attend or failed to report the results of this meeting.

I feel that the REME lads deserved this success. From being an all-powerful XI for the better part of the season, their stars departed on various troopships and later they have been but a shadow of their former selves.

This has, however, brought out the fighting qualities of the team and what has been made up for in determination and enthusiasm, and remembering the thrilling games of really class football that this unit has given in the past, I feel that the managers to pull off this honour. To Java Battery, hard luck and better fortune next year.

The Army First XI made rather heavy weather of their League encounter with the CAA right in Gordon Brown and finally, CRAFT-AND-GRAFT from Ryan at inside-left."

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## ENGLAND MUST CHANGE HER WAYS FOR THE WORLD CUP

Says ERIC NICHOLLS

England's soccer selectors are back on the merry-go-round we thought they had abandoned after the Hungarian shake-up, followed by the not so successful World Cup sortie in 1954.

But the promises of improved organisation, bigger and better facilities, and of re-shaping England's team and tactics, have never materialised.

We were assured that England had dedicated herself to the cause of regaining the soccer heights by keeping the bulk of the side together and grooming potential internationals by way of intermediate and 'B' internationals and Football League and FA representative games.

Yet what happens? Derek Kevan, that unfortunate young man from West Bromwich Albion, is thrust into the heat of a Wembley international, without even so much as a nice, quiet, minor representative game in preparation.

Is it surprising, then, that Kevan, the 22-year-old, who had never even seen the famous twin towers of Wembley, should flop? Well, is it?

Or is it surprising that without Johnny Haynes the whole attack were like ducks waddling about in search of water?

Haynes was dropped because of his loss of form in club matches this season. But as a believer in the system of recruiting strength for strength, I cannot understand why a player of similar class, who was not brought into the side as a replacement.

## WILL NOT AGREE

I cannot, will not, agree that Sheffield Wednesday's 'Golden Boy' Albert Quixall, is not up to it. And the same goes for Tottenham's tiny wizard Tommy Hamer.

I still believe that the finest and simplest—course for the selectors to follow would be to pick the bulk of the side from one or two clubs, thus assuring a reasonable standard of teamwork. And of course, Manchester United, could, and would fill the bill.

But having ignored the just claims of Billy Foulkes, Eddie

2½ inches in the long jump, 29 feet 8½ inches in the 16-lb shot put, 69 feet 4½ inches in the discus throw, 105 feet 4 inches in the javelin throw and 65 feet 9 inches in the hammer throw.

Surprise of the afternoon was the ability of the HKAAC to place two-three in the hammer throw, never a strong event in the Club's history. The HKAAC were team winners in the shot put and discus throw, largely due to the effort of the "strong man" duo of Ray Hamer and P.A. Noble, both of whom individually contributed 16 points to the HKAAC total of 78.

6 COD, a team decimated by injuries and departures, were team winners in the 220 and 440 yards, pole vault and long jump, and 173 Locating were the high scorers in all the remaining events.

Highest individual point scorer was HKAAC's Stephen Xavier with 21 points, followed by Honorsham of 173 Locating with 19. 6 COD's mainstay, Capt. Don Gunn, despite a bad ankle, scored 15 points and beat Xavier in the long jump. Highest point scorer on a "variety" basis was Ctn. Wright of 6 COD whose 16 points came from the high hurdles, pole vault and javelin throw.

The meeting concluded with refreshments on 6 COD and the presentation of 6 COD and 173 Locating Battery pennants by Mrs Moore to Ray Hamer, captain of the HKAAC team.

For those who may have forgotten, this afternoon sees the HAF Championships at Kai Tak and in the programme will be an invitational 800 yards race. If all the stars turn out I fully expect the Colony best time to be shattered so those who like to be there on such occasions should make it a point to be at Kai Tak by 1500 hrs, please.

All Army athletes selected for Combined Services team to meet a Combined Civilian team at a date and venue to be announced later are asked to attend the Boundary Street track on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week at 1430 hrs for training under QMS I. Kelly, APTC.

## FAIRF BASKETBALL

The FAIRF Basketball Championships will be held at the Tinsell Camp next Saturday, commencing at 0930 hrs, when the Hongkong Zone winners, the HK Chinese Training Unit, meet in a triangular tournament the Singapore Engineers Regt. and from Malaya, the 1/10 Gurkha Rifles.

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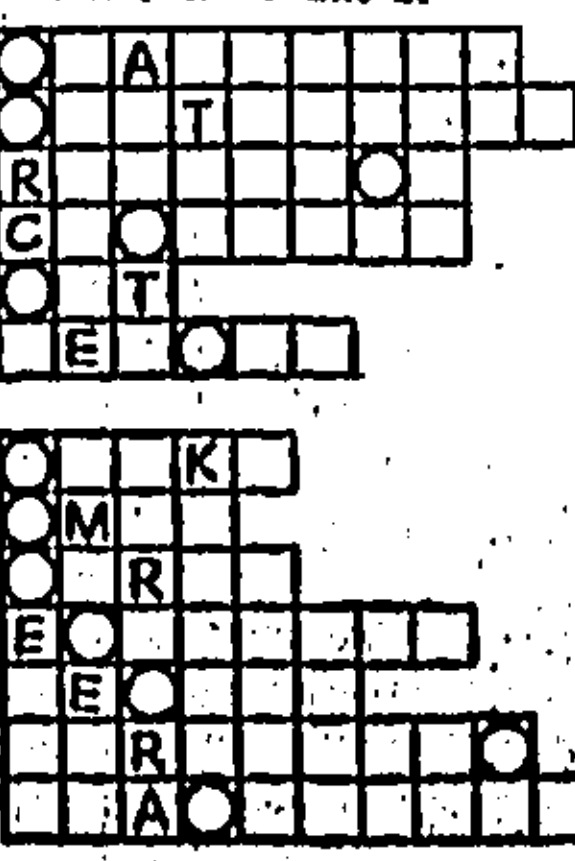


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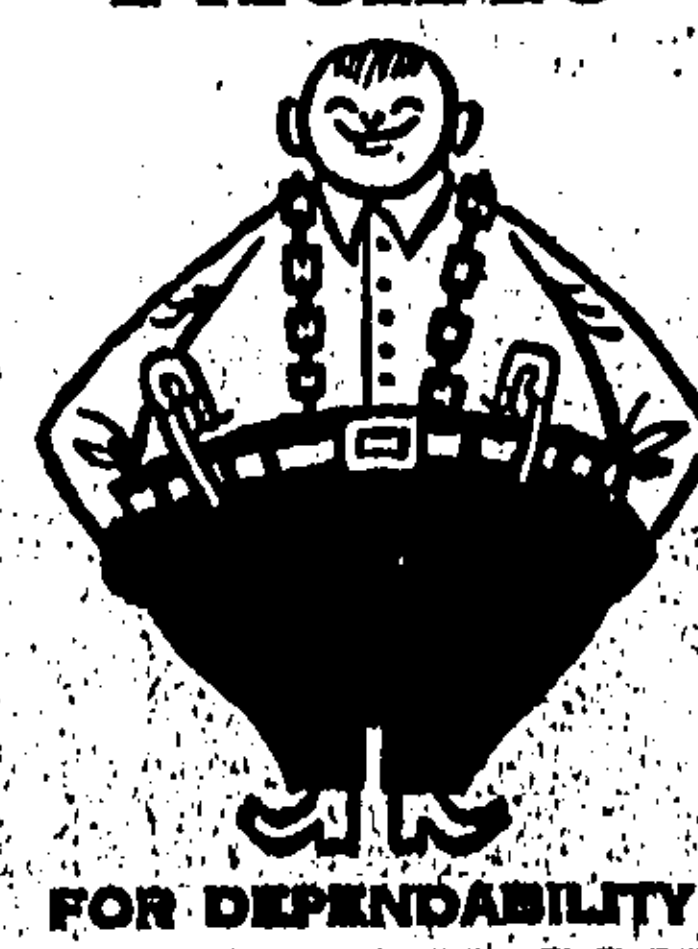
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Hongkong, 17th April, 1957.

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES**

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# SMOG MENACE PLAGUES WEST GERMANY

## Working Group To Combat Rising Danger

By EDO KOENIG

Bonn, Apr. 16.

The West German Government, under the pressure of rising public indignation, is investigating the danger to public health from smog—a suffocating mixture of fog and smoke.

The investigation was requested by the Lower House of Parliament which also asked for suggestions on measures to fight the danger.

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The area most affected by smog is the densely-populated industrial Ruhr, centre of Germany's rich coal and steel industries.

### DENSE SCREEN

Scientists have established that some 600,000 tons of dust, soot, ashes and poisonous gases fall every year on the Ruhr, inhibited by nearly one quarter of West Germany's population.

A dense smog screen over the entire area prevents 50 per cent of the sun's rays from reaching the ground at all.

Motorists who travel through the smog notice the effects of the smog without difficulty—grey is always overcast; breathing becomes more difficult; cows in the fields look grey instead of white; hands, face, shirt cuffs and collars get grubby; and on rainy days wind-screen wipers pile up black streaks of dirt on either side.

The poisonous dirt also forms a dangerously slippery layer on the roads and this causes numerous accidents.

Doctors blame smog for an increasing prevalence of rickets, lung and allergic diseases, nose and eye irritations, and circulatory troubles.

The situation in the Ruhr is compared with that of smog-ridden London or Los Angeles.

### COMPLAINTS

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With the backing of 200,000 supporters and their signatures, he travels round the country and in personal conversations with industrialists, large and small, tries to convince them of the urgency of keeping the air clean. “Do not wait until you are forced to act by law. Show your goodwill and do something now,” he tells them.

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### BAU SMELLS

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to 15 per cent of deadly carbon monoxide.

In Frankfurt, the police have been instructed to suit for poisonous fumes since local inhabitants complained about serious headaches and nausea caused by fumes from plastic factories.

### “CLEAN AIR ACT”

West German legislation at present provides no means to enforce anti-contamination measures and Members of Parliament are urging the Government to bring in a bill similar to Britain's “clean air act.”

Various suggestions have been made to improve the situation, including the creation of green belts round industrial areas, the construction of new plants at a reasonable distance from populated areas, and smoke-cleaning by factories.

The West German Engineers' Association has set up a special committee to study ways and means of reducing the smoke menace while ten towns in the Ruhr have formed a working group to organize joint measures against air-contamination.

China Mail Special.

## NEW EQUIPMENT FOR PARIS POLICE



## USIA PROGRAMME IN TRINIDAD

Washington, Apr. 16.

Representative Frank Bow expressed doubt recently that the British Government would like the plan of the United States Information Agency (USIA) to encourage responsible government within the British Commonwealth.

Bow made his comment in recent House of Representatives Appropriations Sub-committee hearings and it was confirmed today by an aide in his office.

Bow spoke along this line to Arthur Larson, Director of the USIA who was testifying at the time before the committee.

His comment followed a USIA press release of October 11, 1956, which stated that among the objects of the USIA programme in Trinidad were “to promote democracy within the British Caribbean Federation... to encourage responsible self-government within the British Commonwealth and a rejection of extremist policies.”

The USIA is a government operated information service, described by some persons as a propaganda agency. — United Press.

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A demonstration was recently held in the courtyard of the Paris Ministry of the Interior, of new road control methods, including the adaptation of twin cameras to patrol motorcycles. Picture left shows a road patrol policeman's motorcycle equipped with a telephone; picture right shows a twin camera fixed to a motorcycle and allowing the policeman to take accident pictures. — Express Photo.

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## ICELAND REDS MISUSE TRADE UNION FUNDS

Reykjavik, Apr. 16.

One of the biggest scandals ever known in the public life of Iceland has followed the Communists' loss of control of their second largest trade union stronghold, the 1,500-member Union of Factory Workers.

Leadership of this union was won recently by a group of Independence party men supported by some Social Democrats. The new chairman is an Independence party member named Gudjon Sigurdsson.

Until the recent switch of control, the Factory Workers' Union had been controlled by Communists for 20 years.

After his election, Mr. Sigurdsson told the general meeting of the Union that reports by the State-authorized revisors reveal that during those years, Union funds have been used for the reception of Soviet delegations of friendship in Iceland and for visits by the Communist leader of the Union to meetings in the Soviet Union and in other Communist countries of East Europe.

munist, was lent 20,000 kronur (about £440) as mortgage on a hut which had been deemed worthless as security for a mortgage.

★ 4. The Chairman was last year paid a sum of 3,000 kronur (about £66) a month for his work on a committee dealing with unemployment insurance. The committee held only one meeting and achieved nothing.

Unaccounted For

★ 5. A sum of 60,000 kronur (about £1,300) withdrawn from the funds at one time last year is unaccounted for in the accounts.

At the end of the financial year, the Union funds amounted to 304,000 kronur (about £6,760), but only about 40,000 kronur (nearly £900) were available in one or at the bank. About 100,000 kronur (about £2,200) in all had been lent to members of the executive committee, and 60,000 kronur (about £1,300) had been invested in a Communist co-operative trading society.

Democratic newspapers have been describing this as one of the biggest scandals in the history of Iceland. A typical comment, from one of the biggest newspapers, the Independence party's “Morgunblaðið,” was:

Power Curtailed

“The Communist misuse of trade unions is twofold: “First, there is the political misuse. Communists do not consider first and foremost the good of the workers. Their main consideration is to use the unions as a horse to draw their cartload of war.”

“Second, there is the financial misuse, which has now been clearly seen in the rubble of the factory workers' union. Communists have done just as they like with the funds of that union because they thought that they were so strong that they would never lose control of it. “But they did lose it, and it is very important for the workers to understand that the same things are being done in other unions which the Communists have controlled for a long time. Their power in these should also be curtailed.” — China Mail Special.

## Revisors' Report

Although detailed records, except for the past year, had been destroyed, Mr. Sigurdsson said that the revisors' report shows that:

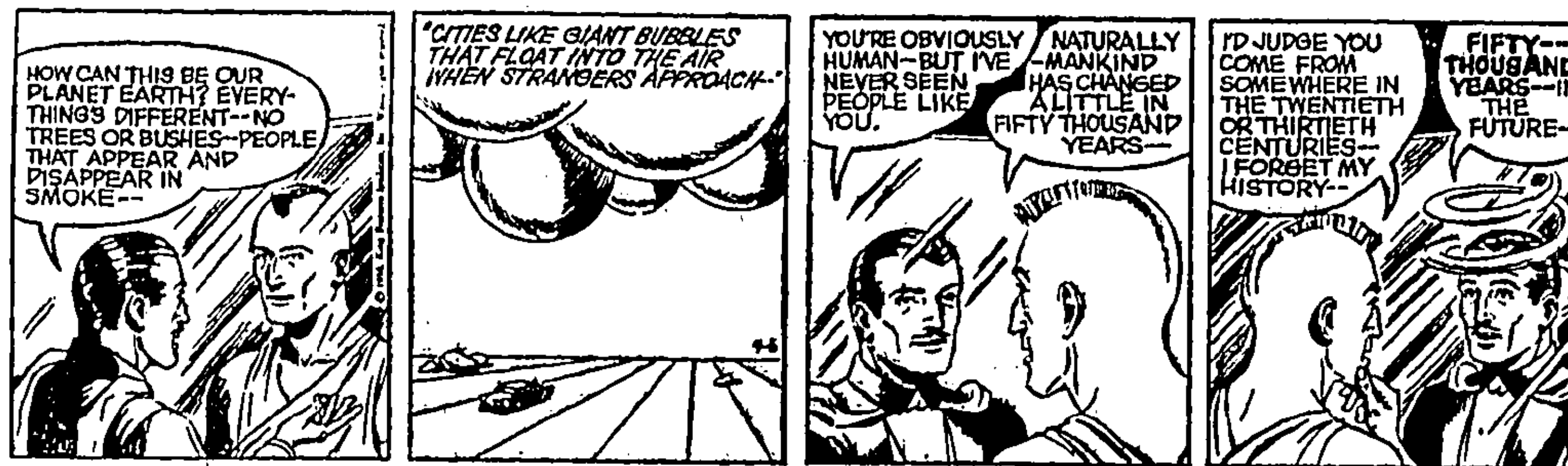
★ 1. The Communist chairman of the Union travelled to the Soviet Union almost every year at the Union's expense and that he obtained from Union funds a loan of 33,000 kronur (about £730) with which to buy a motorcar used for personal purposes.

★ 2. The Communist accountant, he added, had been granted a loan of 40,000 kronur (nearly £900) to enable her to buy a house on fifth mortgage (that is to say, there were four other mortgages which had preference), which is not regarded as a security risk.

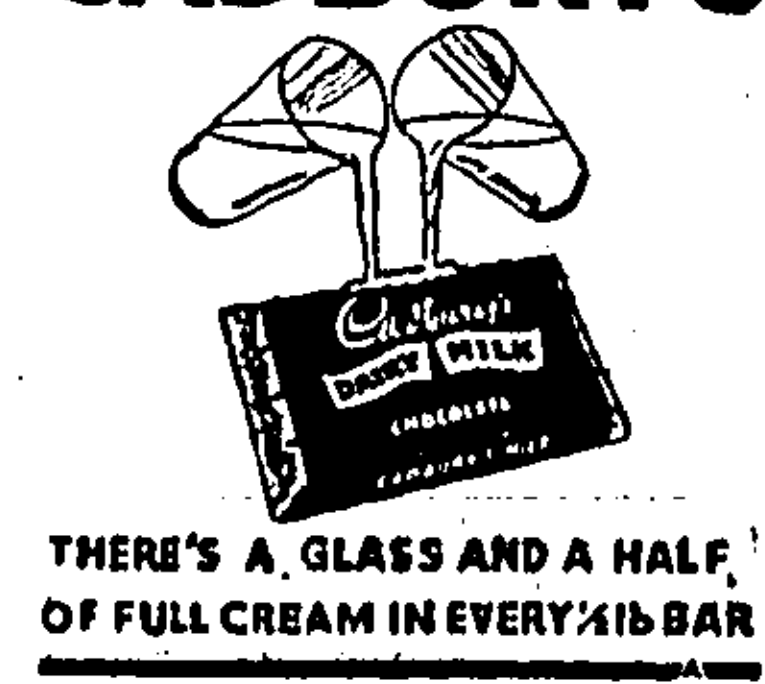
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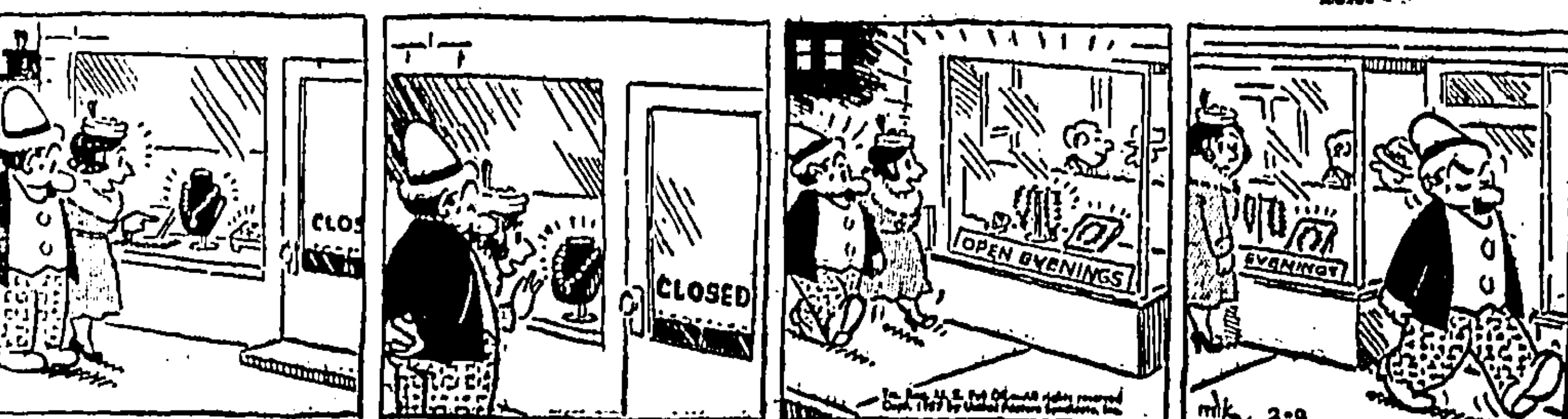


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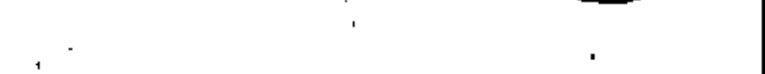
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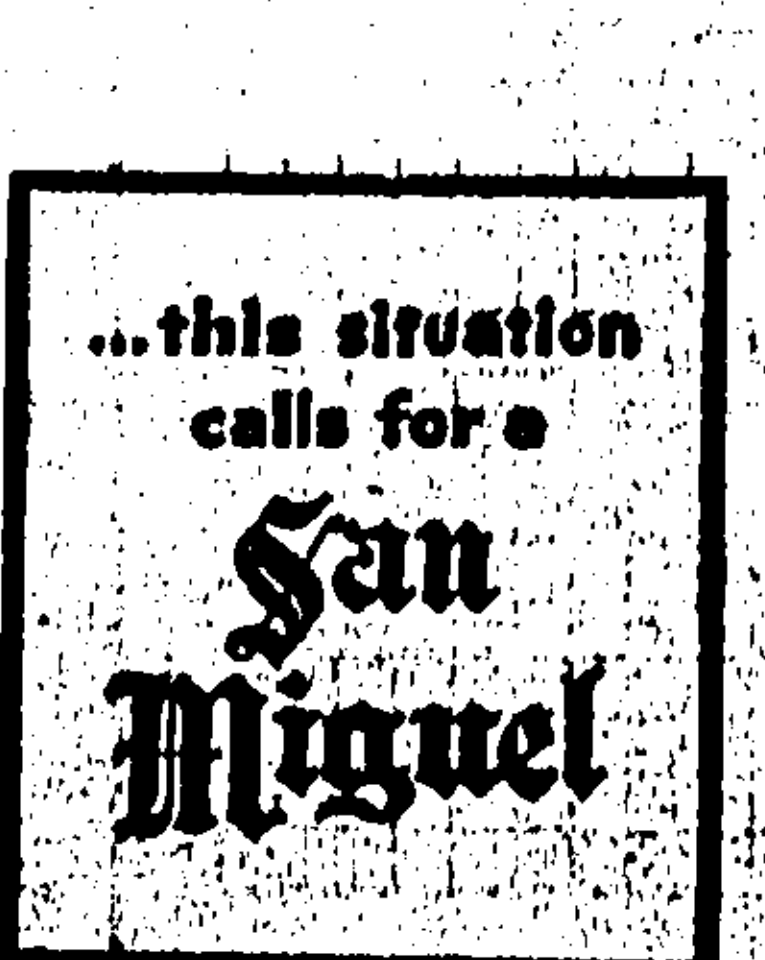
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## ROWNTREES



## ...this situation calls for a San Miguel



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**EASTER HOLIDAYS**

On Friday, Saturday, April 19 & 20 respectively, the public counters at the Victoria, Sheung Wan, Kowloon Central, Shau Kei Wan, and New Territories Post Offices from 10 a.m. to Noon.

The box tables at the Victoria & Kowloon Central Post Offices will be opened from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 20, to Noon and all other Post Offices at which there are Post Office boxes from 10 a.m. to Noon.

There will be one general delivery of correspondence commencing at 10 a.m. and one collection from all pillar boxes on Easter Monday, April 22. There will be no delivery and all Post Offices will be closed.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17**

Moscow, 8 p.m. By Air

North Borneo, 4 p.m.

Amoy, 4 p.m. Zanzibar, 8 p.m.

Macao, 6 p.m.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 18**

Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kiating, Hsinchun, 1 p.m.

Manila, 4 a.m. Canada, 8 a.m.

Japan, 5 a.m.

Guangzhou, Fuzhou, Leningrad, Gorky, 6 p.m.

India-China, 6 p.m.

Philippines, 6 p.m.

Thailand, 6 p.m.

Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.

Thailand, Ceylon, Burma, India, 6 p.m.

**By Surface**

Colony, 8 p.m.

Amoy, 1 p.m.

Manila, 1 p.m.

Philippines, 1 p.m.

Thailand, 1 p.m.

Great Britain, Europe, 1 p.m.

Thailand, Ceylon, Burma, India, 1 p.m.



## Confident Notes Reported But Progress Depends On Further Expansion Of Exports

**London, Apr. 16.**

But the Survey warns that further progress in industrial investment and further improvement in living standards can come only when the balance of payments has been placed on a really secure footing. Its appraisals were made in mid-March and took no account of the possible effects of subsequent strikes and other occurrences.

Abroad, provided there is no prolonged delay in restoring full use of the Suez Canal, a renewed upturn in European production in the second half of 1935 is to be expected. In the United States the boom in business investment may slacken but generally speaking no great changes from the present prosperous state of affairs likely.

In real terms, total demand rose by £340 million. Exports got £250 million of the increase. Fixed investment went up £80 million up, following the rise of £100 million in 1964. Britain is investing a much higher and rising proportion of her resources. Over the past 5 years fixed investment has been no less than a third of the increase in national output.

New York, Apr. 16.

3-month	Apr.	111 1/2	111 1/2
Lead and half	Apr.	111 1/2	111 1/2
	July	111 1/2	111 1/2
Zinc and half	Apr.	111 1/2	111 1/2
	July	111 1/2	111 1/2

--United Press.

Frankfurt	11.75	11.75
Lisbon	20.10	20.20
Salon	27.50	17.50
Vienna	72.50	72.50
Zurich	12.50	12.50
Others were unchanged.		

New York, Apr. 16.

—United Pro

**New York, Apr. 16.**

The main list held a fractionally side of the previous close on moderate dealings as traders paused to assess the market in the light of the recent strong advance.

Turnover dropped back below	Ford Motor	58 1/2
the two million share mark	General Electric	58 1/2
totaling 1,890,000 shares against	General Foods	58 1/2
2,010,000 on Monday.	General Motors	58 1/2
	Gen. Pub. Util.	41 1/2
	Getty Oil	41 1/2
	Gibson Co.	50 1/2
	Gladstein & P. J. Co.	50 1/2
	Goodyear Tire	75 1/2
	Gulf Oil	50 1/2
	Harold Lloyd Corp.	50 1/2
	Hemlock	50 1/2
	Honolula Mining Co.	50 1/2

Int'l Business Machines	354
Int'l Harvester	1091
International Nickel	991
International Paper	981
Int'l Tel. & Tel.	481
John-Manville Co.	1181

Measured by the averages,	Kennett Copper	481
industrials were off 1.52 points	Biggest Meyers Tob. Co.	481
at 484.32, falls off .61 point at	Lockheed Aircraft	19
145.59; utilities up .14 at 71.09	Loews Incorp.	139
and 65 stocks off .39 at 170.42.	Lone Star Cement Co.	19
	Lorenstein & Son	
	McDonald Aircraft (Apt.	37
	Stock Exch.)	401
	Moore Corp.	37

Of a total 1,150 issues traded,	Mesa Iron Corp. ....	68
480 were lower, 414 higher, 256	Minnesota Mining .....	33
unchanged with 62 at new highs,	Mission Development .....	33
24 at new lows.	Monsanto Chemical Co. ....	371
	Montgomery Ward .....	43
	Motorola Inc. ....	647

NY Stock Exchange bond	National Cash Reg. A	53
volume was \$3,400,000.	National Dairy Prod.	38
	National Lead	118
	National Steel Corp.	29
American Stock Exchange	New York Central	27
200,000 shares	Olin Mathieson	47
		48

volume was 910,000 shares.	Otis Elevators	621
Dow-Jones closing averages	Owen-Illinois Glass	623
were:	Pacific Gas & Elec.	48
	Pan American Airways	10
30 Industrials	Paramount Pictures	34
	Parke Davis Co.	52

## Affects

London, Apr. 10.

The stock market was irregular again today reflecting the Jordan situation and the approaching holidays.

opened earlier and closed with declines ranging from  $\frac{1}{2}\%$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ .  
Selective buying and selling

guided the industrials. Most movements were limited to a shilling either way. Bowater although it had a good earnings

report, yielded 2 shillings before recovering.

Oils were active and higher. Royal Dutch added more than 2 shillings. British Petroleum

Foreign bonds were easier. Dollar stocks were idle. —

United Press.

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# Singapore

Singapore, Apr. 17.  
today, subject of

following stock prices:		Opening
Batu Lintang Rubber Co.	Ltd. ....	\$3.07
British Borneo Petro-		

Leum Syndicate	02/-
Consolidated Tin Smelters Ord.	23/04
Fraser & Neave Ltd. Ord.	22.41
Fraser & Neave Ltd.	24.02

Ganmoor (Malaya) Ltd.	\$2.09
Hongkong & Shanghai	
Banking Corp.	\$280
Hongkong Tin Ltd.	7/9d
Kempas Ltd.	\$1.57 ex div
Malayan Economic	47/8d

Kuala Lumpur Ltd.	...	\$1.50
Lunas Rubber Estates Ltd.	.....	0.80
Malayan Breweries	.....	\$3.93
New Serendah Rubber Co. Ltd.	.....	\$3.71

Petaling Tin Ltd. ....	\$2.97
Raffles Hotel .....	\$2.40
Singapore Cold Storage .....	\$1.50
Straits Trading .....	\$31.75 each
Straits Steamship .....	\$18.75
United Engineers Ord...	\$5.95
	\$5.00

Wearne Bros. .... \$3.00  
—China Mail Special.

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**NEW YORK METAL  
FUTURES**

**FUTURES**  
New York, Apr. 10.  
Prices of metal futures closed  
today in cents per lb. as follows:

	Lead	Zinc	Copper
April	25.300	42.700	29.150
May	25.300	42.700	29.150

Tin	April	99.25b	(standard)
	May	99.25b	
	April	99.25b	(Straits)
	May	99.25b	

—United Press.

## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per £1)	125
sterling notes (per £1)	125
Australian notes (per £1)	125

Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	78
Singapore (Malaya)	1

## NAMESAKES

Answers.—1 Tragedies, 3 Historical, 3 Revision, 4 Comedies, 5 Act, 6 Censor, 7 Books, 8 Omit, 9 Words, 10 Editions, 11 Delete, 12 Chronicle, 13 Characters.

Thomas Bowdler (Editor who "purified" Shakespeare).



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# CHINA MAIL

Page 10 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 1957.

**SHEAFFER'S**  
**Skrip**

## FLU CLINICS WILL BE OPEN DURING HOLIDAYS

Because of the flu epidemic, Government out-patient departments at all Government hospitals and at Sai Ying Pun will continue normal services over the Easter holiday.

This would be in addition to the general out-patient clinics at all Government public dispensaries throughout the Urban areas of Hongkong, Kowloon and the New Territories.

A Medical Department doctor again advised the public this morning to keep away from crowded places while the influenza epidemic continued.

He said the virus was spread through sneezing and coughing and people were advised to keep away from crowds.

Symptoms of the illness were high fever, headache and bodily discomfort. It usually lasted for about four or five days, the fever declining gradually.

## HK-BUILT CARGO SHIP LAUNCHED

### Big Firecracker Barrage For 'Chekiang' At Quarry Bay

The mv Chekiang, a sister ship of the mv Chungking and mv Chengtu, was launched at Quarry Bay this morning by Miss Gillian Swire, younger daughter of Mr J. K. Swire, Chairman of John Swire & Sons Ltd. of London, and Mrs Swire.

The launching was witnessed by a large gathering of shipping executives, staff members and their families.

On the launching platform, besides Miss Swire, were Mr and Mrs J. K. Swire, Mr and Mrs J. A. Blackwood, Mr A. Swire, Mr and Mrs F. K. Pattinson, Mr M. S. Cumming and Mr J. R. Carr.

As Miss Swire broke the bottle of champagne over her bow, the Chekiang slid gracefully into the water. A long string of firecrackers was touched off and whistles of tugs and steamers in the vicinity hooped.

Bouquets of roses were presented to Miss Swire and Mrs Swire respectively by Miss Au Wai-kun and Miss Poon Wai-ping, daughters of Dockyard employees.

Built by the Talkoo Dockyard and Engineering Co. of Hongkong Ltd. for the China Navigation Co. Ltd., the Chekiang is one of seven vessels of the "C" Class, two of which, the Chungking and Chengtu are now in service. They are the largest ships to be built in post-war Hongkong.

The "C" Class have an overall length of 442'-2", a breadth moulded of 55'-9", a depth moulded of 33'-6" and on 24'-1" load draft carry 6,830 deadweight tons.

They are designed for a service speed of 14 1/4 knots.

#### 35 SHIPS BUILT

At a reception following the launching, Mr J. A. Blackwood, Chairman of the Talkoo Dockyard & Engineering Company said the first ship to be built in the Dockyard was launched 47 years ago yesterday on April 16, 1910.

It was ordered by the China Navigation Co. Ltd. and was named the ss Ssasi, a twin screw river steamer for Yangtze service.

Mr Blackwood said: "Since Ssasi was launched, 35 more ships have been built for them. One of them, a previous Chekiang, which was launched in 1914 and continued in operation until 1945 when she was sunk by bombing.

"This Chekiang is the third ship of a new class for these owners being built in this yard. Her elder sisters Chungking and

Chengtu are already well known in Hongkong and orders have been placed with us for four further ships. Indeed, you will have seen today the keel of one of these ships, the Chekiang, the berth from which Chekiang was launched."

#### 'APPALLING PRICE'

Replying on behalf of the owners, Mr J. K. Swire said in part:

"It is the usual practice when a ship-owner replies after a launch on behalf of the owners, to take the opportunity to complain bitterly about the cost of the ship, the delivery and workmanship and in fact generally to convey the impression that he must have been completely mad to build the ship in that yard at all.

"I suppose that, when wearing my China Navigation Company coat, I ought really to tell you that that is exactly how I feel about this particular ship, but it is not really in my case quite as easy as that, and I am very much afraid that I must in all honesty confess that, if she turns out as great a success as her two sisters, Chungking and Chengtu we shall, despite the appalling price which we had to pay for them, be very satisfied.

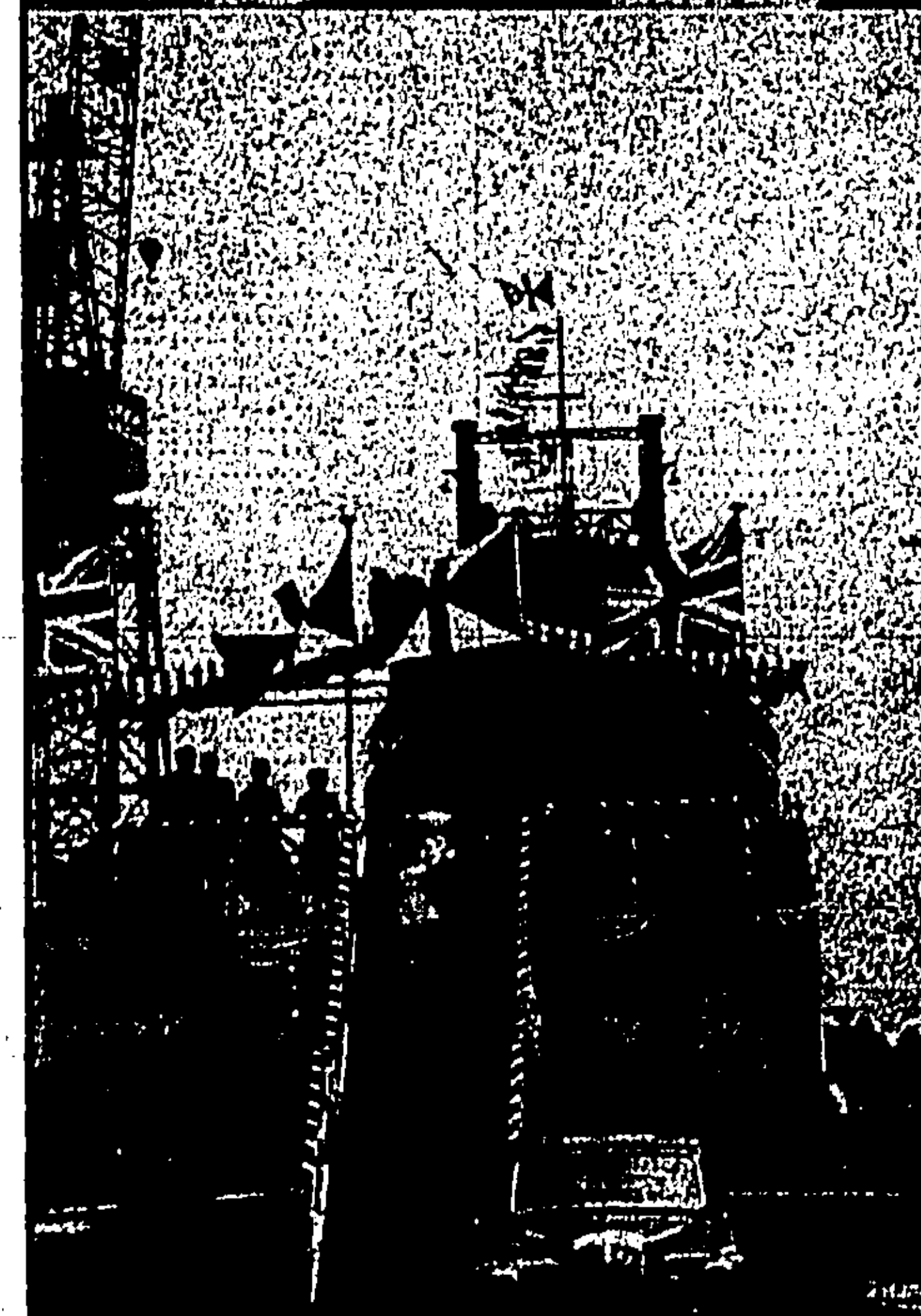
#### FIRST OCCASION

"It is more than 50 years since my present partner's father, Mr James Henry Scott, whose family had been building ships on the Clyde for nearly 200 years, could no longer resist the ship-building urge in his blood, and together with my father, founded this magnificent yard.

"It is 55 years since my grandfather formed the China Navigation Company. And yet this is the first occasion that a member of either family has been able to launch what I think I may fairly call one of our own ships, in what I always like to think is our own yard. This is the reason why we have confined this occasion to what is described as a purely family party.

"I am particularly gratified that so many of our Chinese staff members have been able to get here today. And in saying that, I feel that I must make special reference to two remarkable old gentlemen who are with us today, Mr Cheung Hoo and Mr Tang Sul. Both have over fifty years' service, and one of them tells me that he was working on the early preparation of the Dockyard site when it started as long ago as 1800."

## Scenes At Today's Ceremony



(Top) Miss Gillian Swire swings the champagne bottle .... and seconds later, the Chekiang slides down the stocks to the sea (below)—Staff Photographer.

## PWD Inspector Gives Promise To Magistrate

Griffiths John Williams, 45, a PWD road work inspector, promised Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central Magistracy this morning he would not drive a car again under the influence of alcohol.

He asked for leniency after he had admitted driving his car under the influence of alcohol yesterday afternoon.

Mr Lo, however, deferred the sentence until April 24 for consideration. The defendant is on bail of \$100.

A plea of not guilty to a charge of careless driving by the defendant was accepted by Sub-Inspector Blackburn, who appeared for the Prosecution.

At about 4.45 p.m. yesterday the motor car driven by the defendant crashed into the rear of a stationary taxi near the junction of Hennessy Road and Fleming Road.

The defendant was later taken to Queen Mary Hospital for medical examination and was found to be under the influence of alcohol.

Insp. Blackburn said Williams had not been involved in any serious traffic accident before, and he had no previous traffic conviction of any nature.

## U.S. CRUISER ARRIVES

The 13,600-ton American cruiser, USS Toledo, under the command of Captain G. R. Wilson, entered harbour this morning.

The USS Toledo is in the Colony on a recreational visit. The three American destroyers, Alfred E. Cunningham, Frank E. Evans and Blue, which have also been in the Colony on a recreational visit, left this morning.

## GIANT WHALE STRANDED ON CHINA COAST

A 65-ton whale was recently found on the sandy beach of the Yellow Sea off Kiangsu Province, the New China News Agency reported last night.

The whale was more than 60 feet long, and had eye sockets big enough to take one man in each, the agency said.

A peasant, who first found the whale, said: "I was fishing on the beach when I saw the whale with half its body apparently still alive above water. It was motionless when the tide ebbed."

The skeleton of the whale will be brought to Nanjing for exhibition, the agency added.

The message, broadcast by Peking Radio, was monitored by Franco-Press.

## Radio Hongkong

8.30 p.m. "Women Only." A Week-end programme devoted to the interests of women. Summary: 8.30, Lucky Dip—Ladies Requests presented by Marjorie; 9, Family Counselling; 9.15, Calling Miss Courtwright; 10, Guest star—Flora Hobson; 10.30, Time for Jazz with Robin Day; 11, Weather Report; 11.30, Time Signal; 11.45, News; 12, Commentary of Miss Poon; 12.15, Opera and Ballet; 12.30, Wednesday Theatre; 1.15, World in Afternoon for Antigua; 1.30, Modern Tragedy; 1.45, The Island; 2, Series of illustrated talks presented by Rev. Fr. T. F. Ryan S.J.; 2.15, The Time of Shakespeare; 2.30, A Book at your Bedside; 3, Good Comedy; 3.15, Stella Gibbons; 3.30, Read by Audrey Mendis; 3.45, Modern Sounds; 4, News; 4.15, Weather Report; 4.30, Time Signal; 4.45, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Close Down.

## REDIFFUSION

3 p.m. Wednesday Concert—(Radio programme devoted to the works of Schubert) Overture, Minuet and Ballet Music from Rosamunde played by the Westminster Light Orchestra conducted by Leslie Bridgewater; Variations in D Flat Major, Op. 33 No. 3 (for Piano Four Hands) played by Badura Skoda; Second and Third Danes, Op. 33 No. 3 in D minor (the Unfinished Symphony) played by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Antal Dorati; 4, The Story of Bottle Castle; 4.15, The Two for Two; 4.30, Strictly Instrumental; 4.45, Children's Corner—Presented by Aurie Ray; 5.15, Wednesday Programme presented by Betty; 5.30, Birthday Mailbag; 6.00, The Top in Popular Music; 6.15, A Day at the Movies; 6.30, Personality Parade—Beatrice Little; 6.45, Concert Miniature; 7.30, Eddie Fisher with Axel Stenroos; 7.45, The Mystery of Nurse Louisa; 8, Time Signal and the News; 8.15, Weather Report; 8.30, Novels; 8.45, Nick Kendall; 9.30, Diamond Music Show; 9.45, Music for You—George Melachrino and the International Theatre; 10, "Angel Pavement"; 10.15, Part 3—A Social Occasion; 10.30, Night Stand; 10.45, Ronald Binge and his Orchestra; 11, 10.30, Night Stand; 11.30, Jerry's Jumble and Junk—Presented by Jerry Lewis; 11.45, Prelude to Midnight; 12, Midnight; 12.15, "God Save the Queen"; 12.30, Close Down.

## JOHN CLARKES CASEBOOK

### Young Wife's Tale

WHEN he was working, Alan earned good money in his trade as a scaffolder. But he fell out of work through illness, went to hospital, had an operation, and then needed to convalesce. Five weeks, in all, Alan was kept from his job, and those five weeks worked havoc on his family's finances, for neither he nor his wife had much in the way of savings.

Temporary poverty sometimes binds couples closer together, but fear for her home and for her two children turned Alan's pretty young wife into a sharp-tongued scold who made her husband's life a misery with her demands.

#### I'M ASHAMED

"LOOK at the children," she cried, "they've no coats fit to wear, I'm ashamed for the neighbours to see them..." and then, warming up, threw words like "loafer" and "idler" and "good-for-nothing" at her husband.

One day, he slipped into a warehouse at which he had once worked. He knew children's clothes were stored there, and he came out, a few minutes later with two coats neatly folded and stowed in his tool-bag.

He was stopped by the police before he reached home, and at Clerkenwell next day Alan, a lean, fair-haired man, with a back as straight as a scaffolding-rod, pleaded guilty to the crime—his first.

#### I NAGGED AND NAGGED

MR E. G. ROBBY, the magistrate, heard the story, and then a policeman said: "This man's wife wants to speak for him."

Alan's wife came into the witness-box, a slip of a girl, pale and frightened, who sat in a low, intense voice: "It's no that should be in the dock, not him. It's all my fault. I nagged and nagged and nagged him to get clothes for the children, and he was a sick man. I shouldn't have nagged..."

"Well, don't you nag him in the future," the magistrate said, and turned to Alan and said: "You must pay a fine of £20, at the rate of £1 a week."

Alan turned and left, and his wife left too, hurrying after him, the bloom of colour back in her cheeks, and urgency in her step, as if she could not wait to ask forgiveness for the nagging that might have proved even more disastrous.

## Vegetables versus Virus



\$2.20 WORTH

The recipe might have come from Confucius, but it is doubtful.

The accompanying picture shows the ingredients which thousands of Hongkong's 2,550,000 potential influenza victims (as yet unstricken) are using to ward off the virus.

The preparation, published by a Chinese newspaper a few days ago, consists of boiling carrots and olives in water for a few hours.

The finished product, according to this peculiar Chinese alchemy, protects the imbiber against influenza.

Apocryphal or true, thousands are trying it.

And olives which sold for about one cent each the other day and were 10 cents each when the China Mail office boy, himself heavy with flu, visited the greengrocer's shop yesterday.

He finally struck a bargain at \$1.20 for four.

Carrots which can usually be bought for between \$1 and \$2 a catty were selling for as much as \$5 a catty yesterday.

An expert in the mysteries of the herbalist's art, declares that carrot juice is good for preventing measles while olive juice is noted for soothing the throat.

A Chinese gentleman believes that not only does it work, it is working: "How many are sick—200,000, 300,000, 400,000? But for gum such (the concoction's Chinese name), maybe 800,000 or one million people get sick..."

## Tests For HK Motorists

A Hongkong version of the Shell Safe Driving Tests in Chinese and English has been published by the Shell Co. of HK Ltd.

The tests are designed to help motorists to check themselves on skills and attitudes important in safe driving.

They are meant for veteran drivers as well as their sons and daughters who are now beginning to drive. They will remind older drivers of things they may have forgotten and introduce younger drivers to things they ought to know.

A Shell spokesman said: "We are hoping they may play some part in the campaign for Safety on the Road."

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## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Don't worry about us at home, Mom! You know how Dad loves waffles—I give them to him twice a day!"

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